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The Synod of New Jersey met in Olivet Church, Atlantic City, on Monday, October 18th, 1909, at 8.00 o'clock P. M.

After devotional services, the sermon opening Synod was delivered by the Moderator, Rev. Davis W. Lusk, D.D., from I John 5:4.

At the close of the sermon the sacrament of the Lord's Lord's Supper was administered. The services were conducted by the Rev. Davis W. Lusk, D.D., who was assisted by the following Ruling Elders: William P. Stevenson, S. Russell Greene, John Carson, Thomas Russell, S. W. Davison, Thomas W. Synnott, W. T. Smock, H. Murray Richmond, W. I. Soverell, Dr. J. H. Pierrepont, William W. Woodward, M. H. Stratton.

Supper.

In connection with the service an offering amounting Relief. to \$87.47 was made for the Board of Ministerial Relief.

At the conclusion of the Lord's Supper, the Synod was constituted with prayer by the Moderator.

The roll was called, and the following members were Roll. found to be present:

#### Presbytery of Corisco.

MINISTER-William C. Johnston-I.

#### Presbytery of Elizabeth.

MINISTERS—James G. Mason, D.D., William C. Rommel, Samuel Parry, Eben B. Cobb, D.D., John T. Kerr, William I. Steans, DD., George Francis Greene, D.D., John Sheridan Zelie, Joseph O. McKelvey, Henry McGilvray, Samuel Guy Snowden, John T. Scott, William B. Hamilton, William Torrence Stuchell, Almer W. Karnell (2), Frank Werner, Lawrence R. Howard, Thomas D. Wesley, Robert W. Mark—19.

ELDERS—Lewis C. Batson, Clinton; S. Clark Lum, Connecticut Farms; Cornelius H. Clark, Elizabeth, Westminster; Joseph W. Clark, Metuchen; Leander N. Lovell, Plainfield, Crescent Ave.; W. H. C. Coles, Rahway, First; T. B. Lindsey, Rahway, Second; W. P. Stevenson, Roselle; William L. Fink, Westfield—9.

#### Presbytery of Havana.

MINISTER—A. Waldo Stevenson—I.

#### Presbytery of Jersey City.

MINISTERS—Henry C. Cronin, James Scott Young, Henry T. Beatty, Ph.D., C. Rudolph Kuebler, D.D., James Dallas Steele, Orey Mason Demcott, Fisher Howe Booth, Walter B. Greenway, Herbert H. Brown, Charles A. Evans, Ph.D.—10.

ELDERS—Matthew Powless, Hackensack, First; James E. Banks, Jersey City, Westminster; James S. Biddell, Passaic, First—3.

#### Presbytery of Monmouth.

MINISTERS—Alexander H. Young, D.D., George Swain, D.D., Thomas Tyack, D.D., Ormond W. Wright, Charles Everett, D.D., Frank R. Symmes (2), William P. Finney, Samuel J. McClenaghan, Charles H. Whitaker, Arthur W. Remington, James W. Rogan, D.D., Dwight L. Parsons, Frank Lukens, Courtlandt P. Butler, James H. Dunham, John Calvin Scarborough, D.D., John G. Noordewier, Arthur Phillips, William Hollinshed—19.

ELDERS—George R. Waln, Allentown; Jacob Wilson, Beverly; Bedford J. Gulick, Cranbury, First; John A. Orr, Englishtown; W. T. Smock, Hightstown; Dr. William Gray Schauffler, Lakewood; Charles A. Baird, Manalapan; James H. Huston, Moorestown; James Hemphill, Riverton, Calvary; John G. Breese, Shrewsbury; Francis French, Tuckerton—11.

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#### Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

MINISTERS—Wm. W. Halloway, D.D., James F. Riggs, D.D., John F. Patterson, D.D., Charles Townsend, D.D., George L. Richmond, Joseph G. Symmes, Robert P. Howie, Minot C. Morgan, Wendell Prime Keeler, Robert H. Nichols, Ph.D., David A. Craig—11.

ELDERS—John Carson, Boonton; Arling McFall, Dover, Memorial; Edward L. Cook, Madison; John D. Lindsley, Mendham, First; Robert Hipson, Morristown, First; Robert P. Williams, Orange, First; H. Murray Richmond, Orange, Central; Samuel A. Blanchard, Rockaway—8.

#### Presbytery of Newark.

MINISTERS—Julius H. Wolff, D.D., Davis W. Lusk, D.D., Alexander H. McKinney, Ph.D., Nelson B. Chester, Robert Scott Inglis, D.D., Llewellyn S. Fulmer, D.D., Joseph F. Folsom, Robert T. Graham (2), Joseph Hunter, Thomas Morgan, Joseph Giardina, John McDowell (3)—12.

ELDERS—Thomas Russell, Montclair, First; W. Irvin Soverell, Montclair, Cedar Ave.; E. A. Smith, Montclair, Trinity; William J. Douglass, Newark, First; Abram Van Arsdale, Newark, Third; William McKenzie, Newark, Sixth—6.

#### Presbytery of New Brunswick.

MINISTERS—Robert Hamill Nassau, S.T.D., William W. Knox, D.D., John Dixon, D.D., Walter A. Brooks, D.D., Samuel McLanahan, Sylvester W. Beach, Hugh B. MacCauley, D.D., Henry Collin Minton, D.D., L.L.D., John D. Davis, D.D., L.L.D., D. Ruby Warne, Joseph Howell, Cordie J. Culp, Fred B. Newman, George S. Stark—14.

ELDERS—Morton V. Brokaw, Bound Brook; John W. Hendrickson, Ewing; J. H. Pierrepont, D.S.S., Hamilton Square; Arnold F. Stout, Kingston; W. H. Furman, Lawrenceville; Augustus R. Van Mater, New Brunswick, First; William H. Muirheid, Pennington; R. M. Anderson, Princeton, First; J. Warren Covert, Trenton, First; S. W. Davison, Trenton, Fourth—10.

#### Presbytery of Newton.

MINISTERS—James DeHart Bruen, William S. C. Webster, D. D., Isaac H. Condit (2), Nathaniel P. Crouse, Edward Snyder, Clarence W. Rouse, Robert Robinson, B. D., James W. Martin, Ph. D. (2), James Ferguson—9.

ELDERS—George M. Shipman (2), Belvidere, First; William W. Woodward, Newton; Charles Oberly, Stewartsville; L. Eugene Savacool (2), Yellow Frame—4.

#### Presbytery of West Jersey.

MINISTERS—Alfred P. Botsford, D. D., Frederick R. Brace, D. D., James Baillie Adams (2), James McLeod, D. D., David H. King, D. D. (2), Edward Dillon, Minot S. Morgan, William V. Louderbough, Hugh R. McClelland, Ph. D., Herbert R. Rundall, Newton W. Cadwell, D. D., Charles S. Barrett, George H. Hemingway, D. D., Samuel H. Potter, Edmund J. Gwynn, D. D., William F. S. Nelson, William T. Pannell, Joseph Lyons Ewing, William W. Casselberry, R. Hilliard Gage, Samuel D. Price, Wm. C. McKnight, Christian B. Eby, Herbert M. Gesner, I. Mench Chambers (2)—25.

ELDERS—Charles B. Boyer, Atlantic City, First; Edward B. Cooper, Atlantic City, Olivet; E. S. Holmes, Bridgeton, West (2); B. O. Titus (2), Camden, First; S. Russell Greene, Camden, Calvary; John W. McCray, Cape May; Henry M. Howell, Cedarville, First; George J. Haven, Collingswood; Robert Peacock, Deerfield; Wilham D. Saalman (2), Elwood Brainerd; Daniel E. Iszard (2), Mays Landing; Josiah Creasy, Pleasantville; M. H. Stratton, Salem; G. W. Swing (2), Vineland; Thomas W. Synnott, Wenonah Memorial; Charles W. Foster, Grenloch—16.

#### Corresponding Members Present.

Rev. Wilson Phraner, D. D., of the Synod of New York; Rev. Judson Swift, D. D., of the Synod of New York; Rev. S. Edward Young, D. D., of the Synod of New York; Rev. Arnold W. Fismer, Ph. D., of the Synod of New York; Rev. Alexander Henry, D. D., of the Synod of Pennsylvania; Rev. James D. Moffat, D. D., of the Synod of Pennsylvania; Rev. Parley E. Zartman, D. D., of the Synod of New York; Rev. Wm. H. Clagett, D. D., of the Synod of Texas; Rev. Sylvanus R. Queen, of the Synod of Pennsylvania—9.

Total number present—198.

Moderator. Rev. C. Rudolph Kuebler, D.D., of the Presbytery of Jersey City, was elected Moderator.

Arrangements. The Committee of Arrangements reported, and the report was accepted and its recommendations adopted as follows:

The Committee of Arrangements respectfully report to the Synod recommendations for the order of business as follows:

- 1. That the sessions of Synod begin at 9:00 A. M.; that recess be taken from 12:30 to 2:15 P. M., and from 5:00 to 8:00 P. M., and that the devotional services occupy the last half-hour of each morning session.
- 2. That in accordance with the arrangement already adopted by the Synod, the order for Tuesday be as follows: after the appointment of committees and the usual items of introductory business, the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions, with an address by the Rev. William C. Johnston; at 10:30 the report of the Committee and Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions; the Narrative, and the devotional half hour; for the afternoon, the report of the Committee on Historical Material, with an address by the Rev. Dr. Frederick R. Brace; an address for the American Tract Society, by the Rev. Judson Swift, D. D.; the report of the Special Committee on Executive Commissions, with an address by the Rev. James D. Moffat, D.D.; Home Missions, with addresses by the Rev. Wilson Phraner, D. D., and the Rev. A. Waldo Stevenson; Sabbath-school Work, with an address by the Rev. Dr. Alexander Henry; for the evening, addresses, upon "Changed Conditions Confronting the Church" by the Rev. Davis W. Lusk, D. D.; upon "Sabbath Observance," by the Rev. Frederick W. Johnson, D. D.; and the report of the Special Committee upon Interdenominational Conference.
- 3. That the order for Wednesday be as follows: Systematic Beneficence; Sabbath Observance; Temperance; Necrology, and the devotional half-hour; for the afternoon, the Presbyterian Brotherhood; Young People's Societies; an address for the College Board, by the Rev. John McDowell; an address for the German Theological Seminary, by the Rev. Arnold W. Fismer, Ph. D.; Evangelistic Work, with an address by the Rev. Dr. S. Edward Young; an address for the Assembly's Sustentation Fund, by the Rev. William H. Clagett, D. D.; followed by the presentation of the final reports of Committees and the completion of unfinished business.

After singing, prayer and the benediction, Synod adjourned until to-morrow at 9:00 o'clock A. M.

Tuesday, October 19th, 9:00 A. M. Synod met, and, after prayer, resumed business.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read, and the Minutes. record was approved.

Vice-Moderator. The Moderator appointed as Vice-Moderator, Rev. Dwight L. Parsons, and announced the following committees:

#### BILLS AND OVERTURES.

Ministers—Davis W. Lusk, D.D., John F. Patterson, D.D., H. C. Cronin, Eben B. Cobb, D.D.

Elders—J. Warren Covert, J. S. Biddell, Abram Van Arsdale.

#### JUDICIAL BUSINESS.

Ministers—Sylvester W. Beach, Alexander H. McKinney, Ph.D., I. Mench Chambers, Clarence W. Rouse.

Elders—Cornelius H. Clark, Robert Hipson, Edward B. Cooper.

#### MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Ministers—David A. Craig, Frank Lukens. Elder—Matthew Powless.

#### NARRATIVE FOR 1910.

Ministers—Hugh B. MacCauley, D.D., Nelson B. Chester. Elder—William McKenzie.

#### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Ministers—N. W. Caldwell, D.D., Robert S. Inglis, D.D. Elders—James E. Banks, W. H. C. Coles.

#### REVISION OF PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

Minister—D. Ruby Warne. Elder—William H. Woodward.

SYNODICAL HOME MISSION ACCOUNTS, 1910.

Minister—Samuel D. Price, Elder—J. H. Pierrepont.

#### COMMITTEES ON PRESBYTERIAL RECORDS.

Corisco—Rev. William T. Stuchell, Rev. Hugh R. McClelland, Elder William Douglass.

Elizabeth—Rev. James F. Riggs, D.D., Rev. William P. Finney,

Elder Charles B. Boyer.

Jersey City—Rev. Joseph F. Folsom, Rev. Joseph O. McKelvey, Elder R. M. Anderson.

Monmouth—Rev. George F. Greene, D.D., Rev. James D. Steele, Ph.D., Elder W. P. Stevenson.

Morris and Orange—Rev. James McLeod, D.D., Rev. William S. C. Webster, D.D., Elder John W. Hendrickson.

Newark—Rev. Henry T. Beatty, Ph.D., Rev. William W. Halloway, D.D., Elder Robert P. Williams.

New Brunswick-Rev. Courtlandt P. Butler, Rev. W. B. Greenway, Elder E. A. Smith.

Newton-Rev. James S. Young, Rev. Almer W. Karnell, Elder Charles Oberly.

West Jersey-Rev. William W. Knox, D.D., Rev. Herbert H. Brown, Elder E. L. Cook.

The Stated Clerk presented his report, and it was Stated Clerk accepted and its recommendation adopted, as follows:

The Stated Clerk respectfully reports as follows:

1. That the minutes of the Synod for 1908 were approved by the General Assembly without exception.

2. That at the last meeting of the Synod sundry items of arrangement for the business of the Synod were adopted, which the Stated Clerk ventures to recommend shall now be incorporated with the Standing Rules.

Certain papers in the hands of the Stated Clerk were Bills and assigned to the Committee on Bills and Overtures.

Overtures.

The report of the Treasurer of Synod was presented, Treasurer. was received, and referred for audit to the Committee on Finance.

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of Trustees.

Presbyteries.

The Special Committee on Boundaries of Presbyteries presented its report, which was received and its recommendations adopted as follows:

- 1. That the time is not now opportune for any general change in the boundaries of Presbyteries.
- 2. That under the conviction that possibly, in the near future, some change in the boundaries of Presbyteries may be found to be advisable, Synod now devote twenty minutes to the consideration of this subject, this time being occupied by two addresses of ten minutes each, one by the Rev. Dr. R. S. Inglis, of the Presbytery of Newark, and one by the Rev. Dr. J. F. Riggs, of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

In accordance with the last recommendation Synod was addressed by Rev. Robert S. Inglis, D.D., and Rev. James F. Riggs, D.D.

At the conclusion of these addresses it was resolved to appoint a committee to consider the matter of the boundaries of Presbyteries in the light of the addresses and to report to Synod at its next meeting. The Moderator later announced the committee as follows: The Rev. Eben B. Cobb, D.D., Chairman, and the Stated Clerks of the eight home Presbyteries.

Foreign Missions. The Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions presented its report, which was accepted and its recommendations adopted as follows:

- 1. That we pledge anew our loyalty to the interests and the work of the Board, and strive earnestly, by information and definite plans of systematic giving, to realize the expectations of the General Assembly and the Board.
- 2. That we receive with gratitude the continued, most earnest and most successful efforts of the women of our churches in this Synod to assist in carrying on the work of the Board, and that there be printed for their use 200 copies of this report.
- 3. That the non-contributing churches and Sunday-schools be urged to make an offering, however small, this year.
- 4. That so far as possible we co-operate with the Laymen's Missionary Movement, and make an effort to attend the conference in Philadelphia, and any conferences which may be held in the bounds of this Synod.

In connection with the report Synod was addressed by Rev. William C. Johnston, of West Africa, Presbytery of Corisco, and Rev. R. Hamill Nassau, S.T.D.

It was resolved to direct the Permanent Committee on Corisco. Foreign Missions to prepare and to send to the Presbytery of Corisco a letter of greeting expressing the pleasure of Synod in hearing, through Mr. Johnston and Dr. Nassau, of the prosperous condition of the work within the Presbytery, and to prepare and forward a similar letter to the Presbytery of Havana.

Havana.

It was also resolved to print, for distribution, 500 copies of the report of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions.

The Permanent Committee on Synodical Home Mis-Synodical sions presented its report, which was received and its Missions. recommendations adopted as follows:

- 1. That the Synod, by rising vote, hereby records its gratitude to Mr. W. P. Stevenson for his service as Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions during this, the eighth successive year of his incumbency.
- 2. That Synod hereby expresses its appreciation of the loyal and liberal support given to Synodical Home Missions, by pastors, sessions and people, and reiterates its conviction of the wisdom and efficiency of the present method of carrying on mission work within the State.
- 3. That in accordance with the wish of the Church Extension Committee of that Presbytery, the Presbyterial Superintendent of Missions in Newark Presbytery shall hereafter be its representative on Synod's Committee.
- 4. That Synod hereby agrees to the Assembly's proposal for an Advisory Council on Church Extension and appoints the Chairman of the Synodical Home Mission Committee as its representative ex officio, with power to designate any other member of the comnittee as his alternate in case he cannot attend.
- 5. That the Treasurer be directed to set aside from the balance in hand the sum of \$3,000 as a Special Fund to be at the disposal of the Synodical Committee during the year as provided in the Plan.

- 6. That the Synodical Home Mission Committee be authorized to transfer to the Trustees of Synod, such additional sum of money, not exceeding \$300, as may be necessary to secure a desirable investment of the Synodical Home Mission funds now held by the Trustees.
- 7. That the several Presbyteries be asked to raise during the current fiscal year at least the following amounts:

Elizabeth,	\$3,500 00
Jersey City,	2,500 00
Monmouth,	2,300 00
Morris and Orange,	3,600 00
Newark,	4,500 00
New Brunswick,	3,200 00
Newton,	1,200 00
West Jersey,	2,600 00
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Total,	\$23,400 00

8. That grants be made to the Presbyteries from the general fund of sums not to exceed the following amounts:

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Elizabeth,	\$2,500 00
Jersey City,	3,300 00
Monmouth,	3,400 00
Morris and Orange,	2,000 00
Newark,	4,500 00
New Brunswick,	1,700 00
Newton,	1,350 00
West Jersey,	4,300 00
For administration,	350 00
Total,	\$23,400 00

Treasurer.

In connection with the report and preceding its presentation, the report of the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions, Mr. William P. Stevenson, was presented and was accepted.

Auditing Synodical Home Missions The Committee to Audit the Accounts of the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions reported as follows:

The Committee to Audit the Accounts of the Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions report that they have examined the same for the year beginning October 1st, 1908, and ending September 30th, 1909, compared the disbursements with the vouchers, and have found the same correct.

The report was received and approved.

The order of the day having arrived the Committee Narrative. on Narrative presented its report through its chairman, Rev. Joseph L. Ewing. It was received.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures presented a Bills and report recommending the reference of papers as follows:

Overtures.

The report of the Woman's Synodical Society of Home Missions in the Synod of New Jersey to the Permanent Committee on Home Missions.

The report of the Woman's Synodical Society for Foreign Missions to the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions.

A memorial by Rev. H. B. MacCauley, D.D., pertaining to the attack on the new law for Trustees, to the Trustees of Synod.

The report was received and its recommendations were adopted.

Synod now engaged in devotional services led by Rev. A. Waldo Stevenson, of Guines, Presbytery of Havana, then took recess until 2:15.

Tuesday, 2:15 P. M.

Presbytery met, and, after prayer, resumed business.

The report of the Permanent Committee on Historical Historical Materials was presented by Rev. Joseph F. Folsom. The report was received and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

Material.

I. That all matters and occasions of historical import among the churches be communicated to the chairman, or any member of the Committee on Historical Materials, for use in preparing the yearly report to Synod.

2. That this Synod convey to the Presbytery of West Jersey its cordial congratulations upon the completion, through the efforts of that Presbytery, of the Cohansey Monument, and the dedication of the same.

3. That the following resolution, as appropriate to the 400th anniversary of the birth of John Calvin, be adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod of New Jersey, in recognition of the centennial of John Calvin, falling in this year, 1909, record its sense of the worth to the Kingdom of God of that noble scholar and preacher, and commend his Christian zeal, his tireless labors for the truth, and his manly sense of God's sovereignty, and consequent acceptance of personal responsibility, to the youth of its churches.

In connection with this report Synod was addressed by Rev. Frederic R. Brace, D.D.

American Tract Society. Synod was now addressed by Rev. Judson Swift, D. D., Secretary of the American Tract Society, upon the work of that society.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. W. W. Knox, D.D., was adopted:

The Synod having listened with interest to the report of the work of the American Tract Society, and recognizing it as an efficient and indispensable interdenominational agency for providing Christian literature in many languages and dialects, for both the home and foreign mission fields, and appreciating the necessity for the preparation of this literature for work among the immigrants and also among the Spanish-speaking people:

Resolved, (1) The Synod congratulates the Society upon its reorganization and deliverance from the embarrassment of a large floating debt. (2) Believing in the Society's work, it commends it to the pastors and sessions within its bounds, and urges them to arrange for an annual offering for its support.

Appeal.

The Committee on Judicial Business presented a report which was received and its recommendation adopted. It is as follows:

Certain papers embodying an appeal from an action of the Presbytery of Jersey City have been placed in the hands of your committee.

As the papers are not in order, no notice of the same having been filed with the Stated Clerk of Synod, your Committee would respectfully recommend that no action be taken.

The Special Committee on Executive Commissions Executive presented its report, which was received.

Commission.

It was resolved to take up the recommendations of the report seriatim.

During the consideration of the report Synod was addressed by Rev. James D. Moffat, D.D., a member of the Executive Commission of the General Assembly.

The order of the day having arrived, the Permanent Committee on Home Missions presented its report which was received and its recommendations adopted as follows:

Missions.

- I. Resolved, That the Synod notes the completion of twenty-five vears of service as President of the Woman's Board of Home Missions of Mrs. Darwin R. James, so long a resident in this Synod, and tenders to her its appreciation of this long term of service, and our best wishes for her physical and spiritual comfort.
- 2. Resolved. That an offering be taken in the Sabbath-schools, on the Sabbath preceding Thanksgiving Day, for mission school work, and on the Sabbath preceding Washington's Birthday for the work of evangelization.
- 3. Resolved, That the attention of all our pastors and churches be earnestly called to the action of the General Assembly calling upon the church to provide a fund of at least \$100,000 for the purpose of assisting the Presbyterians of Tennessee in building new churches in the place of those taken away from them by reason of the legal decision in that State, and setting apart the month of October for that purpose; and Resolved, That this Synod does heartily endorse this proposal and hereby directs the Stated Clerk to send a special notice to this effect to all the pastors and sessions in the Synod.
- 4. Resolved, That we heartily recognize the good work done by the Woman's Synodical Society for Home Missions in New Jersey, as shown in their interesting report, and we approve their report and commend them for their labors.
- 5. Resolved. That the attention of the Synod and also of our Presbyteries be called to the action of the General Assembly in the matter of annually reporting to the Home Mission Board all contributions to Presbyterial and to Synodical Home Mission work

by the respective Presbyteries and by Synod, and to that end that the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to forward such report for the Synod, and also that our various Presbyteries be requested to do the same by their respective Stated Clerks, and that the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to send a notice to this effect to each of our Presbyteries.

6. Resolved, That in harmony with the method to be pursued by the General Assembly, the contributions by the churches to the Presbyterial and general Home Mission, as well as to the Synodical Home Mission work, shall be annually reported to the Committee on Synodical Home Mission Work and to the Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund, by the respective Presbyteries, and that the said Committee and Treasurer include the amounts so reported in their annual report to the Synod, in such form as that the contributions from each church in the Synod for Presbyterial, Synodical and General Home Mission work shall appear in separate parallel columns and be annually printed in the minutes of the Synod.

7. Resolved, That the Synod hereby expresses its pleasure in hearing Rev. Wilson Phraner, D.D., so long an able advocate of Home Missions, and the Rev. A. W. Stevenson, of Cuba, the representative of our new Presbytery of Havana, both pleading for an extension of the work, and hereby pledges itself to renewed effort to meet what is expected of it in the allotments of the budget, and also, if possible, to go beyond its assigned share, in order that the work may be extended.

In connection with this report Synod was addressed by Rev. Wilson S. Phraner, D.D., a member of the Board of Home Missions and Rev. A. Waldo Stevenson, of the Presbytery of Havana.

Sabbath Observance. It was resolved that the report of the Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance be presented in connection with the popular meeting this evening and that the consideration of the report of the Special Committee on Executive Commissions take the place formerly assigned to the report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance on Wednesday morning.

The time of the present session was extended for a half hour in order to finish pending orders of business.

The Permanent Committee on Sabbath School Work presented its report which was received and its recommendations adopted as follows:

School Work.

- I. That in view of the increasing and many-sided work of the Board, we recommend that our churches and Sunday-schools make liberal offerings on Children's Day for the work of Sunday-school Missions, and that on Rally Day an offering be made for the work among our foreign citizens.
- 2. That our Presbyterial Sunday-school committees be asked to call a meeting at an early day, to take into consideration the plan of coöperation suggested by the General Assembly, and the general improvement of our Sunday-school work along the lines of teacher-training, systematic study of missions and organized adult classes.
- 3. That our Presbyteries, in the appointment of Committees on Sabbath-school Work, be urged to make an effort to place upon these committees men who are known as efficient Sunday-school workers, and that, so far as possible, laymen known as leaders in this work be sought.
- 4. That our pastors and superintendents be urged to use the lesson helps and illustrated papers issued by our own Board, in view of their acknowledged high character; also because it shows loyalty to the Church, and because two-thirds of the profits of the business department are given to the missionary work of the Board.
- 5. That the attention of pastors and superintendents be called to the new International Graded Sunday-school Lessons, "The Westminster Adult Bible Class," and the new text-book, "Preparation for Teaching."

In connection with this report Synod was addressed by Rev. Alexander Henry, D.D., Secretary of Board of S. S. Work.

It was resolved to invite Mr. J. Frank Burke, Super- Arrangements. intendent of the New Jersey Anti-Saloon League, to address Synod in connection with the report of the Permanent Committee on Temperance to-morrow morning.

Synod took recess until 8:00 P. M.

Tuesday, 8:00 P. M.

Synod reassembled and engaged in services according to an order previously arranged.

After devotional services Rev. Davis W. Lusk, D.D., addressed Synod upon "Conditions Confronting the Church."

Sabbath Observance. The Permanent Committee on Sabbath Observance presented its report, which was received, and its recommendations adopted, as follows:

(1) That we urge our members, ministers and elders to do all in their power by voice, vote and agitation to prevent any legislation adverse to the Christian Sabbath by the Legislature.

- (2) That we urge upon the Legislature (and personally upon the Senator and Assemblymen of our respective counties) the passage of a measure similar to that in effect in the State of New York, giving to the Governor power of removal from office, after due hearing, of such officials as refuse to perform the duties of their office.
- (3) That we heartily commend the law-abiding in Atlantic City who are aggressively seeking their rights, and we further pledge ourselves to aid them whenever and wherever possible.

(4) That we earnestly recommend that each pastor in our Synod preach upon the subject of the Biblical observance of the Lord's Day some time during the month of April next.

(5) That we recommend to our ministers, elders and churches that they heartily co-operate in all good work undertaken by the Lord's Day Alliance of New Jersey, or of any county in New Jersey, and that they contribute as liberally as possible for the maintenance of this State organization by sending to its treasurer, Rev. Samuel D. Price, 919 North Fifth street, Camden, N. J., the Sabbath Observance offering, taken usually in the month of April.

In connection with this report Synod was addressed by Rev. Frederick W. Johnson, D.D., of the Presbytery of Newton.

Inter-Denominational Conference.

The report of the Special Committee on Inter-denominational Conference was read by Rev. William V. I,ouderbough. It was received and its recommendations adopted, as follows:

*1st.* That we call upon all our pastors and churches to cultivate the spirit of fraternity and co-operation, not only among themselves, but with those of sister denominations, with a view to closer unity and greater efficiency of all the Christian forces.

2d. That the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to call the attention of all our Presbyteries, before their next stated meetings, to the action of the General Assembly, as aforesaid, with a view to leading to the formation of local inter-church federations in their respective territories if the way be clear.

3d. That this special committee be continued for another year, with directions to carry out the intentions of the General Assembly's recommendations pertaining to inter-church federation; to gather facts and further information concerning inter-denominational interests and report to the Synod, and that the name of this committee be "The Special Committee on Inter-church Federation."

4th. That this Synod authorize and instruct this Committee to make overtures on its behalf to the proper authorities representing all the other evangelical judicatories of equal rank with this Synod, to the end that an Inter-church Federation of New Jersey may be formed upon the basis of the principles laid down by the First Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America at the meeting of December, 1908.

In connection with the report, Rev. Henry Collin Minton, D.D., chairman of the committee, addressed the Synod upon the subject of the report.

Owing to presentation this evening of the report of the Committee on Inter-denominational Conference it was resolved to make the consideration of the report of the Committee on Executive Commissions the first order to-morrow morning.

After prayer and benediction Synod adjourned until tomorrow at 9:00 o'clock A. M.

Wednesday, October 20th, 1909, 9:00 A. M. Synod met and, after prayer, resumed business.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and Minutes. the record was approved.

Bills and Overtures. It was resolved to reconsider the report of the Committee on Judicial Business in order to hear a report from the Committee on Bills and Overtures respecting the appeal on which the Committee on Judicial Business had previously acted.

Appeal.

The Committee on Bills and Overtures now reported recommending the reference of the appeal to the Committee on Judicial Business, and the recommendation was adopted. The committee also recommended the reference of a communication upon the Men's Brotherhood to the Committee on the Brotherhood, and the reference of a communication from the General Assembly, in reference to the Budget and other matters, to the Executive Commission, if it be formed, or, if it be not formed, then to the Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

Trustees.

The Trustees of Synod reported, recommending that the memorial of Rev. H. B. MacCauley, D.D., be returned to Dr. MacCauley to bring directly to the attention of Synod, and the recommendation was adopted.

College Visitation. The Special Committee on College Visitation made its report, which was received and its recommendation was adopted, as follows:

The Committee on College Visitation respectfully report that they have discharged their duty as far as circumstances have permitted.

Through their chairman they have visited Rutgers College and pressed the claims of the gospel ministry upon its students, and have sought to make arrangements to have the same presented by others of the Committee at Princeton University.

They have had no intimation from any of the Presbyteries of Synod that the request to appoint Presbyterial Committees, for the purpose of visiting schools and academies within their bounds and presenting to the young men, in preparation for college, the claims of the ministry, has been complied with, or that any are co-operating with this Committee.

They have been deeply impressed with the great and increasing interest manifested by the Y. M. C. A. through its leaders in its

student work, in so systematically and carefully setting about to present to the best college men of this continent the ministry as a life work through an up-to-date literature which they have prepared, and conferences and institutes held in some fifty of the leading universities, colleges and theological seminaries of North America, and its prayerful presentation at each of the eight annual conferences held under its auspices to the students of over 300 other colleges.

They are conscious of embarrassment in soliciting an opportunity to appear, as the representatives of Synod, before the students of our undenominational colleges, through the courtesy of the college Y. M. C. Associations. They therefore recommend:

- I. That Synod again urge upon Presbyteries and pastors the importance of pressing home upon the youth in our Sabbathschools and the covenant children in Christian homes the claims of the gospel ministry.
- 2. That Synod urge upon all theological students now studying under the care of its Presbyteries to unite with others in the intelligent effort to bring the students of the world to accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Master.
- 3. That the Committee be relieved of further responsibility in the matter of College Visitation.

A recommendation to continue the Committee under the name of the Committee on Candidates for the Ministry was lost.

The consideration of the report on Executive Com- Executive missions was now resumed, and the recommendations of the Committee were lost by a vote as follows: Aves, 56; noes, 8o.

Commissions.

The Permanent Committee on Systematic Beneficence Systematic presented its report, which was received and its recommendations adopted, as follows:

Beneficence.

- I. We recommend and urge all pastors, Sessions and Boards of Trustees of churches within our bounds to place them on the tithe basis by forming Christian Stewardship Associations as recommended by General Assembly.
- 2. That in connection with or in addition to Mission Study Classes the subject of Stewardship be studied. (An excellent text book entitled "Stewardship and Missions," has been prepared by Rev. Chas. A. Cook, D.D.)

- 3. That we as a Synod accept the apportionment recommended by the Executive Commission of General Assembly, viz., an increase of five per cent. over last year for our contributions to the Benevolent agencies of our Church.
- 4. That \$25 be appropriated for the work of this Committee for the ensuing year.

Anniversary.

Rev. George Swain, D.D., announced the approaching celebration of the 160th anniversary of the Allentown Church, and the 35th anniversary of his pastorate in this church. Synod appointed the Stated Clerk as its representative upon the occasion referred to.

Arrangements.

It was resolved that Rev. Parley E. Zartman, D.D., Secretary of General Assembly's Evangelistic Committee, address the Synod in connection with the report of the Evangelistic Committee this afternoon.

Temperance.

The Permanent Committee on Temperance presented its report, which was received and action upon its recommendations was postponed until the afternoon session.

Complaint on Appeal.

The Committee on Judicial Business made a report upon a complaint concerning an action of the Presbytery of Jersey City.

The report was received and its recommendation was adopted as follows:

The Committee on Judicial Business would respectfully report that they have received a complaint against certain action of the Presbytery of Jersey City, and would recommend the following action: In view of the fact that the Presbytery of Jersey City would seem to have been acting well within its clear constitutional rights when it adopted, for its own government, the rule in question, and in view of the further fact that this rule, thus adopted, is permissive and not mandatory, the appeal be not sustained.

Executive Commissions.

It was resolved to reconsider the action upon the report of the Special Committee on Executive Commissions, with a view to recommitting the report to the Committee for consideration for another year, and the report was recommitted.

The presentation of the Necrological Report was made the first order of the day for this afternoon.

Synod then engaged in devotional services, led by Rev. S. Edward Young, D.D., of the Synod of New York and a member of General Assembly's Evangelistic Committee.

Synod then took recess until 2:15 P. M.

### WEDNESDAY, 2:15 P. M.

Synod re-assembled and, after prayer, resumed business.

The Permanent Committee on Necrology presented Necrology. its report, which was received and adopted, and it was directed that the substance of it be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

The consideration of the report of the Permanent Temperance. Committee on Temperance was resumed and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

- I. That we rejoice in the largely increased total contribution of the churches of our Synod for the support of the work of our General Assembly's Permanent Committee on Temperance, and for State Temperance work, as a good indication of a rapidly growing interest among our people in the temperance reform and an encouraging promise of its larger success.
- 2. That we appreciate the very large and important service which our General Assembly's Committee is rendering to the cause of Temperance from year to year; approve heartily of the publication of "The Amethyst" as its official organ and commend it and the various other agencies of this committee to the use and liberal support of all our congregations.
- 3. That we also rejoice in the large and efficient work of the New Jersey Anti-Saloon League during the past year and especially in its employment of some of the most eminent temperance speakers of our country in the work of educating and stimulating

the people with a view of securing a more general and enthusiastic support of aggressive temperance and anti-saloon work, and that we renew our commendation of the League to the confidence of all our sessions and congregations and bespeak for it their active and liberal support.

- 4. That through our Moderator and Stated Clerk, we respectfully and earnestly petition our State Legislature and the Governor of our State to enact during the coming winter a Local Option Law, such as is now in force and proving acceptable to most of the States of our Union, that the sovereign citizens of this State may not be deprived of their freedom, as they now are, in large measure, under our existing laws, in dealing with the confessedly dangerous and harmful liquor traffic.
- 5. That the Temperance Committee of Synod be authorized to represent the Synod, in the advocacy of principles adopted by Synod, before any ecclesiastical or other bodies.
- 6. That this Synod through its Moderator and Stated Clerk shall petition the Congress and the President of these United States to hasten the enactment of a law which will enable the various Prohibition States to protect themselves by legislation and police power from the introduction of alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes within their borders by citizens of any state or country, and which will also prevent the shipment of alcoholic beverages into any and all territory under the jurisdiction of Congress.
- 7. That we express our appreciation and admiration of the action of the Hon. William Plummer, Senator from Salem county, who introduced and ably championed the Local Option Bill in our State Senate last winter, and also of the action of the Hon. William C. Gebhardt and other Senators, who nobly supported that measure.
- 8. That we greatly deplore and condemn the spirit of lawlessness which has been manifested by two hundred or more liquor sellers, and their patrons, in Atlantic City, in boldly and defiantly violating the laws of our state by pursuing or supporting the liquor business on Sundays, and also the shameful action of those officials of this city who have violated their oath of office in permitting and protecting such lawlessness, and also that we renew our petition to the Legislature of our State, that a law be enacted as soon as possible giving the Governor of the State the authority to remove from office such officials in the State as shall be found guilty of refusing to perform their official duty.
- 9. In view of the present miscarriage of justice, under the present Grand Jury system, whereby law-breakers and the friends of law-breakers so often dominate our Grand Juries, making the administration of justice a farce,

Resolved, that we urge upon our Legislature the passage of a measure changing the method of drawing the Grand Jury, taking it out of the hands of the Sheriff and vesting it in a Jury Com-

mission, to be appointed by the Governor of the State, or the Supreme Court Judge for that District.

10. That we most heartily approve and commend the brave and aggressive work of the Good Citizenship League and the Lord's Day Alliance of Atlantic City in striving to enforce the laws of the state, and to bring to justice those who have openly and flagrantly violated the same to the great injury of the good name of this city and the encouragement of lawlessness in other places in our state, and that we extend to all the law-abiding citizens of this city our sympathy and support in their efforts to rid their community of corrupt officials and to secure the faithful enforcement of existing laws.

II. That as members of the Synod of New Jersey, we declare ourselves to be unalterably opposed to the alcoholic liquor beverage traffic in all its forms, believing it to be a great curse both to those who sell and to those who drink, a business which entails a far greater tax upon the Nation than it pays, and the chief source of crime and poverty and misery in our land. We exhort all of our people to practice and promote total abstinence from the use of all alcoholic beverages, to refrain from renting property for the sale of such beverages, and from signing petitions for securing license to sell them, to lend their support to publishers who decline to advertise the liquor business, and by every lawful and wise measure to prevent the liquor-drinking habit and to discourage and outlaw the whole liquor traffic.

12. That we call the attention of our sessions to and commend the observance in our churches of Temperance Day, appointed by our General Assembly to be observed on the last Sabbath of October, and recommend that it be made a time for special prayer in behalf of the Temperance Cause, and for special instruction and offerings to further total abstinence from the use of intoxicating drinks, and the complete abolition of the alcoholic liquor beverage traffic.

The Treasurer was directed to pay a bill of \$5.00 for typewriting incurred by the Committee on Temperance.

The following resolution offered by James W. Rogan, D.D., was adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod recommends to the various Perma- Committees. nent Committees that in presenting their reports from year to year they rotate, so far as is practicable, in the order of the Presbyteries, that the report may be prepared, from time to time, by representatives of the various Presbyteries.

Brotherhood.

The report of the Presbyterian Brotherhood was presented to Synod and was read by the Stated Clerk. It was received and approved and it was directed that it be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

The Permanent Committee on the Presbyterian Brotherhood presented its report, which was read by the Stated Clerk. The report was received and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

- 1. That the Permanent Committee on the Presbyterian Brother-hood shall consist of a chairman to be appointed annually by the Synod, together with one member from each of the eight Presbyteries in New Jersey to be appointed annually by such Presbyteries respectively.
- 2. That the Presbyterian Brotherhood of New Jersey is cordially invited to bring to Synod's Permanent Committee on the Presbyterian Brotherhood, from time to time, for conference and advice such questions concerning its work as the Brotherhood or its officers may wish to confer or be advised upon.

The resignation of Hon, Wm. M. Lanning as Chairman of the Committee was accepted and Mr. J. Fithian Tatem was elected in his place.

Young People's Societies. The Permanent Committee on Young People's Societies presented its report, which was received and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

- 1. That with a view to helping pastors and Sessions toward the fulfillment of their duty in the instruction of their young people in matters pertaining to the Presbyterian Church, we commend the use of the little book, "Ten Minute Supplemental Lessons in Church History," by E. T. Lee.
- 2. That pastors, Sessions and the Young People of this Synod be recommended to observe Young People's Day, February 6th, 1910, and in accordance with the recommendation of the last General Assembly, make a contribution on that day to the work of the Young People's Department.
- 3. That the attention of pastors and Sessions and young people in this Synod be called to the Summer Conferences which are being held annually by our Department of Young People's Work, and that they send delegates whenever possible.

The Special Committee on Evangelistic Work pre-Evangelistic sented its report, which was received and its recommendations adopted as follows:

The Committee on Evangelistic Work report an increased activity among many of the churches of the Synod. This is shown by an increased number of additions to the membership on confession of faith in all but two of the Presbyteries and in these two Evangelistic committees are making special efforts looking to larger results during the coming year.

We gratefully acknowledge the fact that the evangelistic power of the Church has been shown during the past year by the addition on confession of faith of 3,651 members who have united with . the churches of the Synod as a result of practical evangelistic effort on the part of pastors and Christian workers.

The Committee would again call attention to the importance of pastoral evangelism as the ideal and hope of the Church and urge every pastor to take his rightful place as the leader in evangelistic effort.

Two Presbyteries report a marked increase over last year in the number of members received on confession of faith—Newark, 842; Jersey City, 632.

It is interesting to note that the colored churches in these Presbyteries lead in this respect, while the Magyar Church of New Brunswick heads the list (as it did last year) with 100 additions on confession of faith. In the city of Trenton the Inter-Church Federation with other organizations have secured the services of Rev. R. F. Torrey, D.D., for a conference to be held October 28th to 31st, to which ministers and other representatives of churches in the surrounding region are to be invited. Special evangelistic services, to be conducted by the pastors in Trenton, will follow, beginning November 8th.

In the Presbytery of Monmouth special services have been held in the churches of Allentown, Jamesburg, Englishtown, Columbus, Matawan and Burlington. The Evangelistic Committee of this Presbytery has presented an earnest and inspiring report urging pastors and members to heartfelt effort for winning men to Christ and urging laymen to personal work in this direction. This committee has also advised the holding of special evangelistic services in all of the churches. The members of the committee offer to help personally in the conduct of these meetings.

The committee is arranging for a conference of the pastors for the purpose of securing a deeper consecration and preparation for this work.

In the Presbytery of West Jersey a conference is to be held in the Second Church of Camden, on November 8th, at which time Mr. John H. Converse and Rev. Alexander Eslee (Special Evangelist of the Presbytery of Philadelphia) will make addresses. Other speakers are expected and addresses from an Elder especially to Elders and laymen. It is urged by the committee that on November 14th the ministers make a general exchange of pulpits and on that occasion earnest sermons be delivered upon the subject.

In the Presbytery of Morris and Orange a Presbyterial Evangelist has been employed for three months in conjunction with the Presbytery of Newton.

At the present time the smaller and weaker churches are being visited by other pastors of the Presbytery. Great good is expected as a result of this fraternal interchange of pastoral effort.

A conference on Church Efficiency was held by the Presbytery on September 24'st, at which addresses were made by twelve of the pastors according to a program arranged by the committee.

We offer the following recommendations:

- 1. That the Chairmen of the Evangelistic Committees of the various Presbyteries constitute a Permanent Committee of Synod on Evangelistic Work, the representative of the Presbytery of Jersey City to be designated as Chairman of the Committee.
- 2. That the Evangelistic Committee in each Presbytery be requested to arrange for a conference at some time during the month of November for the purpose of encouraging the churches to more carnest and consecrated effort along evangelistic lines. That Elders and other representatives of churches be urged to attend and take an active part in these conferences.
- 3. Inasmuch as there is an increasing interest in Christian service among the men of our churches, that the members of the Brotherhoods be requested to co-operate with pastors in evangelistic effort.
- 4. That when local conditions are favorable, the period following the week of prayer, or preceding the Easter season, be devoted to special evangelistic services in the churches.
- 5. That the Synod's committee, in conference with representatives of the General Assembly's committee be authorized to arrange for special conferences in various parts of the State at such times as may be convenient.

In connection with this report Synod was addressed by Rev. Parley E. Zartman, D.D.

Committees.

The Committee on the Revision of the List of Permanent Committees presented its report, which was accepted and its recommendations adopted. (See list of Committees in Appendix).

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The Committee on Finance reported that it had ex- Finance. amined the books and vouchers of the Treasurer of Synod and of the Treasurer of the Trustees of Synod and found them to be correct.

The Committee also recommended that the apportionment to the Presbyteries for Synodical expenses be as follows:

Elizabeth, Morris and Orange, New Brunswick and Newark, \$100 each.

Jersey City and West Jersey, \$80 each. Monmouth and Newton, \$70 each.

The report was received and the recommendation adopted.

Rev. Minot C. Morgan of the Presbytery of Morris Foreign and Orange was chosen to act as Chairman of the Permanent Committee on Foreign Missions until the Spring meeting of the Committee.

Rev. John McDowell, of the Presbytery of Newark, College Aid. addressed Synod in the interest of the Board of College Aid.

At the close of Mr. McDowell's address Synod was addressed by Rev. A. W. Fismer, Ph. D., of the Faculty of Bloomfield Seminary on behalf of that institution.

German

The following resolution, offered by Rev. E. B. Cobb, D.D., was adopted:

WHEREAS, On the recommendation of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the United States of America, the German Theological School of Newark, N. J., has so enlarged its scope as to educate a suitable ministry for the foreign population in our country; and

WHEREAS, The ready response of the Directors of the above Theological School necessitates the erection of a new seminary building, to be known as Knox Hall, at a cost of \$50,000, \$20,000 of which is secured by subscription; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Synod of New Jersey heartily recommends to all the churches within its bounds to aid in the completion of said fund of \$50,000, and commends Dr. A. W. Fismer, Chairman of the Knox Hall Fund Committee, to the churches of this Synod in his efforts to complete said fund.

Sustentation.

Rev. W. H. Clagett, D.D., addressed the Synod in the interest of the Ministerial Sustentation Fund.

The following resolution, offered by Rev. W. A. Brooks, D.D., was adopted:

Resolved, That the Ministerial Sustentation Fund of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America is commended by the Synod of New Jersey to the consideration and confidence of its members and churches.

American Bible Society. The interests of the American Bible Society were presented to Synod by Rev. James F. Riggs, D.D.

Minutes.

The Committee on the Minutes of the General Assembly reported that there was nothing in the Minutes requiring action by the Synod.

Presbyterial Records. The records of the following Presbyteries were approved: Corisco, Elizabeth, Jersey City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Newark, New Brunswick, Newton and West Jersey.

Trustees.

The report of the Trustees of Synod was presented by Rev. E. B. Cobb. D.D., was received, and its recommendations were adopted as follows:

The Trustees of the Synod of New Jersey would report that, according to the permission given to them by the last Synod (see Minutes of Synod for 1908, page 31), and for the sake of greater efficiency in their work, they have divided themselves by lot into three classes, each class to serve three years. These classes are:

Class of 1909—Rev. Samuel McLanahan, Rev. Percy Y. Schelley, Elder Elwood C. Harris.

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Class of 1910—Rev. Charles D. Shaw, D.D., Rev. Courtlandt P Butler, Rev. Stanley White, D.D., Secretary.

Class of 1911—Rev. Eben B. Cobb, President and Treasurer; Rev. R. Hilliard Gage, Elder Joseph P. Lloyd.

The term of office of the members of the Class of 1909 expiring with this session of Synod, the Trustees would recommend that the Stated Clerk of Synod be asked to cast a ballot for the following persons to be members of this class to serve for three years, viz.: Rev. Samuel McLanahan, Rev. Robert Robinson, Elder Elwood C. Harris, the name of Mr. Robinson having been substituted for that of Mr. Schelly in this class, in view of the fact that Mr. Schelly has recently resigned from his position as Chairman of the Committee on Synodical Home Missions in the Presbytery of Newton, which was the original occasion of his appointment as a member of the Board of Trustees; and Mr. Robinson, of the same Presbytery, having been appointed by Presbytery to take his place.

The Trustees would also inform Synod that they have in their possession the sum of \$1,000, which was put into their hands by action of Synod (see Minutes of Synod for the year 1900, page 18), as follows:

Resolved, That Synod, during the present fiscal year, raise the sum of \$1,000, this money to be placed in the hands of the Trustees of Synod, and by them invested; the interest therefrom to be used for the preservation of the monument and the cost of the grounds, or such other purposes as the Synod may direct.

In view of the fact that this money was put into the hands of the Trustees by the above action, with the proviso that a portion of the interest thus obtained could be used, from time to time, for "such other purposes as the Synod may direct," and in view of the further fact that Synod has also put into the hands of the Trustees a sum of money which the Trustees are to hold and invest for Synodical Home Missions, and that it is very desirable to increase this latter fund, and may at times be necessary to do so in order to secure a profitable investment, the Trustees would ask that Synod grant them permission to transfer, from time to time, to this Synodical Home Mission Fund such amounts as may be available out of the interest obtained from the Monumental Fund, reporting the fact of this transfer and the amount thus transferred to the next meeting of Synod.

In accordance with the first resolution the Stated Clerk cast the ballot for Rev. Samuel McLanahan, Rev. Robert Robinson and Elder Elwood C. Harris as Trustees and they were declared elected Trustees of Synod for a term of three years.

Trustees elected.

It was resolved to print the Statistical Reports of the Presbyteries without reading.

Next place of meeting.

The Committee on Place of Meeting recommended Lakewood as the place of the next meeting of Synod. The report was received and its recommendation was adopted.

Bills paid.

The Treasurer was authorized to pay the usual bills and salaries.

New Law of Trustees.

Rev. H. B. MacCauley, D.D., reported with reference to his Memorial concerning an attack on the new law of Trustees. The report was received and its recommendations adopted, and a vote of thanks was extended to Dr. MacCauley and other pastors of Trenton for their interest and effort in repelling attacks on this law.

The report is as follows:

I would respectfully report upon a memorial sent to this Synod concerning an attack last winter upon the new law for trustees and temporalities in Presbyterian congregations, by an act introduced into the last Legislature by the Senator from Mercer, at the instance of various persons. The said memorial was referred by the Committee on Bills and Overtures to the Trustees of Synod, and by them referred to me as a committee of one to report upon the matter. I herewith submit the text of the memorial, together with the minutes of a certain meeting of the Trenton pastors, who rallied to the defense of the new law, and also extracts from the acts of Synod, explaining in a summary way the history, meaning and purpose of the new law.

I recommend the passage of the following recommendations, to wit:

Whereas, The Constitution of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. clearly provides that "Subject to the provisions of the Directory for Worship, the Session shall have and exercise exclusive authority over the worship of the congregation, including the musical service, and shall determine the times and places of preaching the Word and all other religious services. They shall also have exclusive authority over the uses to which the church buildings may be put, but may temporarily delegate the determination of such uses to the body having management of the temporal affairs of the church, subject to the superior authority and

direction of the Session." (See Form of Government, Chapter IX, Section VII.) And

WHEREAS, Various church bodies or denominations have, in New Jersey, special laws for the control of the temporal affairs of their churches, which laws are in full accord with the eccleciastical constitutions of those denominations; and

Whereas, The Synod of New Jersey desiring to have, similarly, a law that would recognize the peculiar relation existing between Boards of Trustees and Sessions in our Presbyterian Churches (being a dual system of government), and would also bring together several acts passed at different times by the Legislature, did spend five years—from 1901 to 1905—in perfecting and thoroughly advertising amongst all our churches such a proposed law which conforms with the constitution, usages and customs of our church, and the Legislature of New Jersey of 1904–05 did, in April, 1905, at the request of the said Synod, enact the said proposal to be a law, which has been in force since that time, unrepealed and unamended; and

Whereas, Senate Bill No. 56, introduced at the last Legislature, and known as an act to amend an act, entitled "An Act concerning the election and incorporation of the trustees and the management of the temporal affairs of Christian congregations connected with the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America," approved April 12th, one thousand nine hundred and five, proposes to strike out from the said law that peculiar Presbyterian feature which recognizes the said supervision by the Session over the uses of the church buildings, etc.; therefore,

Resolved (first), That the Synod does hereby take notice of the said attack as being an interference with our constitution, usages and customs, and as likely to obscure the relations between our Boards of Trustees and Sessions, which the present law makes most clear, and the Synod does hereby disapprove of the said attack.

Resolved (second), That it is the opinion of this Synod that if there are any persons that feel themselves aggrieved by any of the requirements of the new law they should bring their complaint to the Synod, where the matter might be heard, so that no change should be undertaken without the approval of the Synod, at whose instance the act was framed and passed by the Legislature.

Resolved (third), That the text of this memorial, together with the extracts from the Minutes of Synod giving a summarized account of the history, meaning and purpose of the said new law for trustees, he printed in full in the Appendix to the Minutes of the Synod for information and reference.

The following resolution of thanks, offered by Rev. E. B. Cobb, D.D., was adopted:

The appreciative thanks of the Synod are extended to pastor, session and trustees of this church for their gracious and abundant hospitality, and also to the choir for its aid in the popular meetings; also to proprietors of the various hotels who have made reductions in price of entertainment to members of Synod.

Attendance.

The Permanent Clerk, Committee on Attendance and Leave of Absence, reported the following attendance at this meeting, and the report was approved:

Number of members present:

Presbyteries.	Ministers.	Elders.	Total.	
Corisco,	і		I	
Elizabeth,	19	9	28	
Havana,	і		I	
Jersey City,	10	3	13	
Monmouth,	19	11	30	
Morris and Orange,	11	8	19	
Newark,	12	6	. 18	
New Brunswick,	14	10	24	
Newton,	9	4	13	
West Jersey,	25	16	41	
	122	67	189	
Corresponding members,			9	
			198	

The following members have been excused:

## FROM THIS MEETING.

Presbytery of Elizabeth—Rev. I. Alstyne Blauvelt, D.D. Presbytery of Monmouth—Rev. Horace G. Hinsdale, D.D., Rev. Benjamin S. Everitt, D.D.

Presbytery of Morris and Orange-Rev. Baker Smith, D.D.

Presbytery of New Brunswick—Rev. Daniel R. Foster, Rev. Albert J. Weisley, D.D., Rev. Amzi L. Armstrong.

Presbytery of Newton-Rev. E. Clarke Cline, Rev. Horace D. Sassaman.

# AFTER TUESDAY NOON.

Presbytery of Jersey City—Minister Fisher Howe Booth. Presbytery of Monmouth—Elder Wm. G. Schauffler.

# AFTER TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

Presbytery of Elizabeth—Minister Frank Werner.
Presbytery of Morris and Orange—Minister Robert Hastings

Nichols, Ph.D.

Presbytery of Newton-Minister J. De Hart Bruen.

Presbytery of West Jersey—Ministers, Frederick R. Brace, D.D., Edward Dillon; Elder, Charles W. Foster.

# AFTER TUESDAY EVENING.

Presbytery of Monmouth—Minister Courtlandt P. Butler, Elder Chas. A. Baird.

Presbytery of Morris and Orange—Minister John D. Lindsley. Presbytery of New Brunswick—Minister W. W. Knox, D.D., Elder Robert M. Anderson.

## AFTER WEDNESDAY NOON.

Presbytery of Elizabeth—Ministers, J. G. Mason, D.D., Wm. C. Rommel, John S. Zelie, Lawrence R. Howard, Wm. Torrence Stuchell, Geo. F. Greene, D.D., Henry McGilvray, R. W. Mark, Wm. I. Steans, D.D.; Elders, T. B. Lindsay, L. N. Lovell.

Presbytery of Jersey City—Ministers, Henry C. Cronin, James Scott Young, Henry T. Beatty, Ph.D., Chas. A. Evans, Ph.D.; Elders, J. S. Biddell, Matthew Powless.

Presbytery of Monmouth—Ministers, Wm. P. Finney, Frank R. Symmes, J. H. Dunham, Chas. Everett, D.D., Thomas Tyack, D.D., Arthur W. Remington, Ormond W. Wright, Dwight L. Parsons, Arthur Phillips; Elders, Geo. R. Waln, Wm. T. Smock, Jno. G. Breese, Jacob Wilson.

Presbytery of Morris and Orange—Ministers, Wendell Prime Keeler, Geo. L. Richmond, Robt. P. Howie, Joseph G. Symmes, Minot C. Morgan, John F. Patterson, D.D.; Elders, Robert Hipson, H. Murray Richmond, John Carson.

Presbytery of Newark—Ministers, A. H. McKinney, Ph.D., Joseph Giardina, Robert T. Graham, Joseph F. Folsom, Alex. H. McKinney, Ph.D., Davis W. Lusk, D.D., Nelson B. Chester; Elders, W. I. Soverell, E. A. Smith.

Presbytery of New Brunswick—Ministers, Sylvester W. Beach, John D. Davis, D.D., L.L.D., Robert H. Nassau, S.T.D., John Dixon, D.D., C. J. Culp, Samuel McLanahan, Joseph Howell; Elders, W. H. Furman, Jno. W. Hendrickson, Dr. J. H. Pierrepont.

Presbytery of Newton—Ministers, N. P. Crouse, Clarence W. Rouse, James Ferguson, Robert Robinson, Isaac H. Condit, Edward Snyder; Elders, Charles Oberly, Geo. M. Shipman.

Presbytery of West Jersey—Ministers, Wm. T. Pannell, Minot S. Morgan, I. Mench Chambers, A. P. Botsford, D.D., W. V. Louderbough, R. H. Gage, G. H. Hemingway, D.D., Samuel H. Potter, Samuel D. Price, Wm. W. Casselberry; Elders John W. McCray, M. H. Stratton, L. Eugene Savacool, B. O. Titus, S. Russell Greene.

The roll was called and the following members were found to be absent without excuse:

Elizabeth—Ministers, Joseph O. McKelvey, Samuel Guy Snowden, Almer W. Karnell, Thomas D. Wesley; Elders, S. Clark Lum, W. P. Stevenson, William L. Fink.

Jersey City—Ministers, Orey Mason Demcott, Walter B. Greenway; Elder James E. Banks.

Monmouth—Ministers, Samuel J. McClenaghan, Frank Lukens, John Calvin Scarborough, D.D.; Elders, Bedford J. Gulick, John A. Orr, James H. Huston, James Hemphill.

Morris and Orange—Minister Charles Townsend, D.D.; Elders, Robert P. Williams, Samuel A. Blanchard.

Newark—Ministers, Llewellyn S. Fulmer, D.D., John McDowell; Elder Thomas Russell.

New Brunswick—Ministers, Henry C. Minton, D.D., George S. Stark; Elders, Morton V. Brokaw, Arnold F. Stout, Augustus R. Van Mater, Wm. H. Muirheid.

West Jersey—Ministers, James Baillie Adams, David H. King, D.D., Hugh R. McClelland, Ph.D., Herbert R. Rundall, Charles S. Barrett, William F. S. Nelson, Joseph Lyons Ewing, Herbert M. Gesner, Christian B. Eby; Elders, Charles B. Boyer, Robert Peacock, Daniel E. Iszard, Josiah Creasy, G. W. Swing, Thomas W. Synnott.

Minutes.

The minutes of to-day's session were read, and the record was approved.

The Synod adjourned to meet in Lakewood on the third Monday of October, 1910, at 8 P. M.

The session closed with prayer and the benediction.

JOHN T. KERR,

WALTER A. BROOKS, Stated Clerk. Recording Clerk.

The freciding pages contain a complete and accurate report of the proceedings of the Synod of New Jersey; at Atlantic City, October 18th to 20th. 1909

Attest: Walte A. Brooks.

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approved so far as read by the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. in session at Atlantic City, N.J., May 28,1910.

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# APPENDIX.

I.—NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 18th, 1909.

All the Presbyteries except Havana have been heard from. With striking unanimity the several narrators have spoken of the unsatisfactory, ambiguous and often absurd elements contained in the Narratives which came up to them from the churches, and their consequent inability to show anything like a correct exhibit of local religious life.

The Narratives, however, have brought us returns that are most informing and interesting. Speaking of general conditions, they show a remarkable uniformity in discouragements and encouragements. In discouragements they record a decline in vital godliness among very many people; a multiplying of organizations in the church not yet followed by any corresponding increase in members or deepening of devotion; the family altar and the church prayer meeting not in an encouraging condition; the church making no noteworthy inroads into the mass of surrounding selfishness and worldliness. Moreover, the Narratives refer to the ever present saloon; to the self-indulgent rich who seem to have regard neither for God nor the moral sense of men; to the passing of the earlier religious stock, and the filling of its place by a less substantial folk; to the growth of infidelity in some sections; to the secularizing of the Lord's Day, and to the greed of gain. Yet a hopeful spirit of dissatisfaction with past and present achievements pervades the Presbyteries; the churches have gloriously held their own against the multiform attacks of the old serpent; the leaders of the church have kept well on guard; the outward and ordinary means of grace have been honored and signally blessed of God; the churches are remarkably well organized for aggressive work. Moreover, the records bring us the tidings that no fewer than 3,651 persons have united with our churches on examination, and that our growth in net gains during the year has been ten churches, two ministers, seventy elders, four deacons, 1,783 members and 2,710 Sabbath-school scholars. Surely we have, then, abundant reason for gratitude and praise.

#### MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE.

The total number of communicants enrolled by our several Presbyteries, exclusive of Corisco and Havana, is 79,259, marking a gain of twelve per cent. over the enrollment of last year. Our total enroll-

ment ten years ago was about ten thousand less than at present, and about six thousand fewer than we numbered five years ago. A gratifying increase, indeed, and the last year has been one of the best in the period. It must, however, be remembered that this growth has scarcely kept pace with our Synod's increase of population. As to church services and attendance, it may be said that in all but a few instances, Sessions have kept open church for preaching twice on Sabbath and once for midweek congregational prayer meeting, and that the attendance at the morning services has averaged about seventy per cent. of the membership, while not more than about thirty per cent. are found at the evening services. The intimation is clear from the Narratives that the attendance upon the services of public worship is not a thing to be mentioned in the list of our encouragements.

# CHILDREN AND THE CHURCH SERVICES.

There appears to be, on the part of ministers and elders, a constant study of methods to secure the attendance of children upon the preaching services. Pastors are using such special means as the preliminary five-minute sermon, the "Go-To-Church Band," and the "Junior Congregation," with varying degrees of success. In one of our congregations all the children who were baptized in infancy are brought before the pulpit at the age of seven years and publicly told by the minister, of their dedication, in infancy, by their parents, and that they are now coming to years of sobriety and are to account themselves as having a personal part in the church.

## THE MIDWEEK MEETING.

The weekly prayer meeting, one narrator declares to be the despair of the pastor and the anxiety of the Session. If this service may be taken as the thermometer to register spiritual temperature, it must be that many of our churches are abiding in zero weather. Or if the prayer meeting is the pulse of the church's life, some of us must be nearing the critical stages of heart disease. The Narratives record unanimously that our prayer meetings, so far from appearing to be a hearty and spontaneous expression of the spiritual life of the church, are more generally maintained at the cost of a struggle. About ten or twelve per cent. of the membership of the churches seems to sum up the attendance numerically. One church, with a membership of four hundred and fifty, holds its prayer meeting in a room in which there are less than forty chairs, and fully half of those chairs are more often empty than filled.

# SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

There has been a healthy growth in the Sabbath-school membership during the past year. But when we note that not more than sixty per cent. of the Sabbath-school's enrollment attends its sessions; that

teachers' meetings are rarely held and that very many of our officers and teachers appear, in their work, to be simply following the lines of least resistance, we are assured that the opportunity in this department is not being improved as it should be. There are signs, however, that the undeveloped possibilities of the Sabbath-school are beginning to dawn on the church. This is witnessed, for example, in the formation of special Bible classes among the adults, teachers' training courses, and in the variety of methods being used to develop the spirit of benevolence among the young people. Only a few of the Sabbath-schools are without libraries. But it is not made clear that the books provided are of a kind which always re-inforces the religious teaching of the pulpit and the Sabbath-school class. The schools are almost unanimous in their use of the Westminster Lesson Helps, but there is practically equal unanimity in the slight use made of that form of sound words known as the Shorter Catechism. But though falling far below the Bible teaching, educational goal set before them by our churches, our schools continue to be of untold value as channels leading from the home and the outside world up to the church. It is fair to estimate, from the data given by the reports, that at least ninety per cent. of our church accessions on examination during the past year have been from the Sabbath-school.

#### SOCIETIES.

Our churches are well supplied with societies. There are intimations, indeed, that in some instances the making of new organizations has gone too far. That the men should get together and co-ordinate their energies in church as they do elsewhere, has long been the heart-cry of many a pastor. And during the past year this appeal has been answered in the formation of Brotherhoods, Leagues and Unions of varying names and objects. Some of these are merely social and do not rise above the secular, in their object. Others, with the social feature, include plans and efforts to improve the spiritual life. It is perhaps a fair estimate to say that about half of our churches have societies of men.

Turning to the godly, consecrated women of our churches, we find them with organizations in nearly all our churches and laboring with zeal and devotion. Their societies have many names and they exist for many objects. They have done much to assist in bearing the burdens of the local church in educating the young and in the benevolent enterprises of the churches. The churches are likewise uniform in having organizations of young people. These, too, are found to exist under a great variety of names. In character and purpose, however, they are chiefly of the Christian Endeavor variety. They are doing a splendid work and hence are of great value in keeping the life of the church warm and its activities full of vigor.

#### SPIRITUAL CONDITIONS.

As to the spiritual condition of the churches, the Narratives bring no report of any general uprising of religious interest or special revival

sweeping through the Synod, or even outstanding in any particular Presbytery. The churches seem for the most part to have pursued the steady course of making a faithful application of the outward and ordinary means of grace. It is gratifying, however, to be able to report that the churches have surrendered no position during the year and that they continue to hold on in the good way. It is, moreover, worth the observing that while there has been no general religious awakening, yet wherever special evangelistic efforts have been put forth, God's people, with rare exceptions, have been revived and souls from without have been gathered into the church.

#### BENEVOLENCE.

The Sessions have quite generally complied with the Assembly's Rule requiring the giving of the people an opportunity to contribute to all the boards. There is reason for thanksgiving that our people have extended the hand so liberally during the past year. In our gifts to the single cause of Foreign Missions, of more than a tenth as much as we expended on local support, we have headed the list of Synods, with Pennsylvania second. There has been going on a steady process of education, looking toward the bringing of the Societies of the church up to the point of active interest in all the causes of the church.

## FAMILY RELIGION.

In the matter of family religion the reports from the Presbyteries are rather vague. The religious life of the homes of our Synod seems to be at a rather low ebb. Though there is considerable pulpit instruction in the matter of family religion, there is an evident failure on the part of many parents to meet their covenant obligations and a disposition to ignore the minister's counsel upon the subject. In the matter of family worship and general Christian nurture, we do not find much to encourage. Parents are reported as having almost wholly abandoned the practice of religious instruction, and it is evident that households regularly observing family worship are very few. As regards the presenting of children for the ordinance of Baptism, however, the fact that two-thirds of those who came into full Communion of the churches during the year were baptized in infancy, would seem to show a good degree of faithfulness to their obligation in this respect on the part of parents.

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

It would seem that the financial burdens of the churches locally have been carried in a business-like way, and that to the fair name and credit of the congregations and the Synod, all obligations have been met with fidelity. As to the special days appointed by the General Assembly, the course of one Presbytery whose churches "observe these Days"

with much latitude of choice and much abridgement of schedule," is doubtless the practice of all. Practically all the churches observe Children's Day, while the other appointed Days are not recognized by more than a small percentage of the churches. The several causes, however, for which the days stand, have been for the most part faithfully presented at some time during the year.

During the year our Narrative was set to cover, the Lord has not forgotten to be gracious. It has been a good year "of the right hand of the Most High." We have seen not a little of the marks of him who goeth about, now as a roaring lion, and now as an angel of light. But by the grace of God, we have been learning, by the continued trumpeting of the Gospel in the power of the Holy Spirit, and by the steady flame of Christ-like living, how to resist the devil's cunning and how to repel his onslaughts. It has been a good year and we have reason to thank God, take courage and work hard.

JOSEPH LYONS EWING, Chairman.

# II.—NECROLOGICAL REPORT.

Twelve deaths have occurred in the membership of the Synod of New Jersey during the past year. None have been reported from the Presbyteries of Corisco, Havana, and Jersey City.

Two occurred in the Presbytery of Elizabeth; one in the Presbytery of Monmouth; three in the Presbytery of Morris and Orange; two in that of Newark; one in that of New Brunswick; one in that of Newton; two in that of West Jersey.

# Presbytery of Elizabeth.

# WILLIAM HENRY MORROW

was born January 14th, 1869, at Greensboro, N. C. He inherited from both his parents strong religious tendencies, and at a very early age expressed his purpose to be a minister. He entered Biddle University at 18 years of age, and was graduated in 1893. In the same year he entered Princeton Theological Seminary, and was graduated in 1896. He was licensed by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, April 26th, 1896, and ordained by the same May 3d, following.

He served as Stated Supply at Rocky Mountain, N. C., until September 1st, 1896, when he accepted a call to Hillburn, N. Y., where he was pastor of the Brook Chapel, a Mission of the Ramapo Presbyterian Church, and taught in a district school.

On July 26th, 1900, he became pastor of the Willard Presbyterian Church at Union, S. C., that he might give his entire time to the ministry. After a year he resigned and supplied the church at Lexington, N. C., for a time. He was again called to Hillburn, N. Y., and was installed pastor August 2d, 1902, and as such served until October 15th, 1906.

After resigning from Hillburn, he engaged in temporary service in the U. S. Navy Yard at Brooklyn, N. Y. City, filling various pulpits on Sundays and engaging in religious work. Removing to Jersey City, he conducted the Sunday-school of the Lafayette Presbyterian Church, and preached during the absence of the pastor. He became the Supply of the Siloam Church in Elizabeth, N. J., and was transferred from the Presbytery of Hudson to that of Elizabeth, April 2d, 1908.

He died of pneumonia, November 28th, 1908, esteemed by those who knew him as a true, reliable and hard-working man, an earnest and faithful preacher. He is survived by a widow and three children. He was buried at his birthplace, Greensboro, N. C.

## REV. EDWARD LOVE

was born in London, Eng., July 6th, 1850. He was a graduate of the University of London, studied for the ministry in the Baptist Theo-

logical College of Regents Park, and was graduated in 1871. Coming to the United States the same year, he was ordained to the ministry and installed as pastor of the East Baptist Church of New York City in 1872. After five years, he transferred his relationship to the Presbytery of Brooklyn, and served as Stated Supply in various churches, filling pulpits with acceptance. Impaired health compelled him to give up preaching, and he entered into business, but was ready at all times, if able, to assist his brethren in the ministry.

In 1904 he volunteered his services for the work at Garwood, and was largely instrumental in raising funds for its attractive building and in increasing its congregation and membership. Here he labored successfully and happily for five years, dying at his home in Plainfield, February 17th, 1909, aged 58 years 7 months. He lies buried in Hillside Cemetery. His widow and three children survive him.

# Presbytery of Monmouth.

# REV. JOHN LEROY TAYLOR, D.D.,

was born at Bethlehem, Indiana, October 2d, 1850. He entered Wabash College, at Crawfordsville, Ind., and graduated in 1876. He attended Princeton Theological Seminary for one year, 1877-1878, and then entered Lane Theological Seminary and graduated in 1880.

He was ordained an Evangelist by the Presbytery of Denver, October 9th, 1880, and was appointed Stated Supply at Greely, Col., where he served for two years. From here he was called to Waverly, N. Y., and labored there from 1882 to 1889. He was called to Wyoming, Ohio, and was its pastor from 1889 to 1902. Resigning his charge, he was next called to supply the Asbury Park Presbyterian Church, and at the end of the three months was asked to become its pastor. Here he concluded his ministry of seven happy and prosperous years, Sunday, July 11th, 1909, aged 58 years 9 months.

Sunny, sympathetic and social, he was welcomed in every home of his congregation and community. Modest in demeanor, conservative in judgment, determined in will, unflinching in principle, he was recognized as a strong man and a wise leader of men. Through his unremitting energy a debt of \$15,000 was removed from the church, and by his faithful ministrations the membership was increased and new life infused.

He was honored with the degree of Ph.D. in 1887, by Wooster University, and with the degree of D.D. in 1907 by Hanover College. The interment was at LaPorte, Ind. He is survived by a widow, two brothers and two sisters.

# Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

REV. JAMES A. FERGUSON, D.D.,

son of Rev. Archibald and Nancy Ann (Rodgers) Ferguson, was born May 12th, 1843, at Oswegatchie, N. Y. He made a public confession

of his faith in the First Presbyterian Church of Ogdensburg, N. Y., when fifteen. He prepared for college at the Ogdensburg Academy and at Hammond, N. Y., and entering Hamilton College, graduated in 1865.

Entering Princeton Theological Seminary the same year, he remained but one year, and after supplying a church in Morristown a year, completed his theological course at Union Seminary, New York, in 1869. During the last year in the seminary he supplied the church at Manhattanville, N. Y.

On February 14th, 1869, he began his ministry at Hanover, N. J., being ordained and installed its pastor by the Presbytery of Rockaway the following May 18th, 1869, where he continued to labor until March 17th, 1909, the date of his death—a period of forty years.

He died at Brooklyn, N. Y., of paralysis, in his sixty-sixth year, and was buried at Hanover, N. J.

He received the degree of D.D. from the National University of Chicago in 1893, and was again honored with the same from Ferguson and Williams College, South Carolina, in 1905. Of attractive presence, pleasing address, courteous manner and friendly interest, he won and held the affection and confidence of his people and of his brethren in the ministry.

He was a diligent student, a faithful preacher, and fulfilled a long and useful pastorate in the one church he loved and served forty years, and a ministry of comfort, encouragement and edification to all who heard him.

He was one of the founders of Ferguson Academy, at Abbeville, S. C., and afterward of Ferguson and Williams College, at the same place, for the education of colored men in the South. He was twice married.

(1) May 27th, 1869, to Isabella Rutherford Bell, who died December 3d, 1873; (2) December 3oth, 1875, to Catharine Elizabeth Parker, who, with one daughter, by his first wife, survives him.

# REV. JOHN CROWELL, D.D.,

son of James and Mary (Gardner) Crowell, was born June 22d, 1814, in Philadelphia, Pa. He made a public confession of faith in the Sixth Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia when seventeen years old.

He was prepared for college in Philadelphia. After spending a year at the University of Pennsylvania he entered Princeton College and graduated in 1834.

The next year and a half he spent at Morristown, N. J., where he had charge of the Academy. In 1836 he returned to Princeton, entering Princeton Theological Seminary, but holding the position at the same time of tutor in the college, and remained until the fall of 1837. For two years he continued his studies in private under his father, and under the direction of the Rev. John Todd, D.D. He was licensed by the Third Presbytery of Philadelphia, April 11th, 1839, and ordained by the same June 5th, 1840, when installed pastor of the church at West

Chester, Pa. He remained until 1850, when he accepted a call to the Brick Church, East Orange, N. J., and served faithfully for thirteen years—from August 21st, 1850, to May 6th, 1863. For three years he was not in the pastorate, but accepting a call from the Drawyers Church, Odessa, Del., he served from August 1st, 1867, to April 17th, 1878.

In 1878 he returned to East Orange, where he resided until his death, supplying various pulpits, acting as pastor at Stirling, N. J., from 1884-1888, and during a part of the latter year preaching at Pittston, Pa.

In 1889 he was elected a member of the Board of Education in East Orange, and served as its secretary until 1906, devoting himself enthusiastically to the welfare of the schools. He gave himself, also, to literary work.

He was the author of about 400 articles in the International Cyclopedia on Biblical, theological and other subjects, and published "Republics, or Popular Government an Appointment of God," and a sermon entitled, "Christ in all the Scriptures."

He received the degree of D.D. from Princeton University in 1869. All his life he was a painstaking student of the Bible, reading it in the original, and was "mighty in the Scriptures." He died at East Orange March 29th, 1909, in the ninety-fifth year of his age, and was buried in the Laurel Hill Cemetery, Philadelphia, Pa.

On October 21st, 1840, Dr. Crowell was united in marriage to Miss Katharine Roney, of Philadelphia, who died November 29th, 1879. He is survived by two sons and three daughters.

# REV. JOHN H. SCOFIELD

was born August 14th, 1833, at Schuylerville, N. Y. He was descended from Roger Williams, and also from Thomas Olney 2d, who was for fifty years pastor of the first Baptist Church of America, founded by Roger Williams.

He entered Princeton College in 1856, and graduated in 1860. He passed directly into the Theological Seminary at Princeton and completed his course in 1863.

On June 10th, 1862, he was licensed by the Presbytery of Stillwater, and ordained July 28th, 1863, by the Presbytery of North River.

His several pastorates were at New Hamburgh, N. Y., 1863-1868; Dayton, N. J., 1869-1870; Reaville, N. J., 1872-1874; Kingston, N. J., 1874-1880; Mount Olive, N. J., 1884-1901. There are two gaps in his ministry, one of two and another of four years, when broken health compelled him to lay down active work, but in each case he was permitted to resume his labors.

Upon resigning his last charge he was made pastor emeritus, and so remained until his death, beloved of all. In his character, that which was strong and that which was lovable were beautifully blended, while his ministry was marked by patience, courage and fidelity. In February, 1901, he had a stroke of paralysis, and another in June, 1906. He died September 10th, 1909, at Waverly, N. Y. The interment was at Frenchtown, N. J.

He married, October 8th, 1863, Elizabeth Reading Hedges, of Frenchtown, N. J., who died in 1887. He is survived by a son and daughter.

# Presbytery of Newark.

# WILLIAM REED, D.D.,

born in Lansingburgh, N. Y., February 24th, 1847; united with the First Presbyterian Church in Lansingburgh, June, 1863; graduated from Hamilton College in 1871; married to Miss Laura Dexter North, of Clinton, N. Y., July 29th, 1874. Died after a long illness, at Paterson, N. J., January 14th, 1909, aged sixty-two years, lacking one month and ten days.

Ordained and installed at Calvary Presbyterian Church, Buffalo, by Presbytery of Buffalo, December 10th, 1874; Buffalo, 1874-81; Mt. Ida Memorial Church, Troy, from 1881 and for many years. Pastor at Verona, N. J., at the time of his death.

Dr. Reed had few, but long, pastorates, and in every field was faithful and successful. He was a brother of Rev. David Allen Reed, '81, of Springfield, Mass., and Rev. Orville Reed, '84, of Montclair, N. J.

# REV. JAMES RICHARD GIBSON,

son of James and Sallie Moorland (Wigham) Gibson, was born August 28th, 1856, at Delhi, N. Y.

He made a public confession of his faith at the age of sixteen. His studies were pursued at the Delaware Academy at Delhi and he graduated from Union College in 1881. His theological studies were pursued in Princeton Theological Seminary, where he graduated in 1884. He was licensed by the Presbytery of Elizabeth, April 16th, 1884, and ordained by the same June 17th, 1884, being at the same time installed pastor of the Lower Valley Church, Califon, N. J. Owing to ill health he resigned his charge December 26th, 1893, and entered business in Newark, N. J.

He died February 9th, 1909, at Califon, N. J., of pneumonia, in the fifty-third year of his life. His burial was at Delhi, N. Y.

# Presbytery of New Brunswick.

# REV. JOHN WOODBRIDGE, D.D.,

son of Rev. and Mrs. Sylvester Woodbridge, was born May 9th, 1824, at Sharon, Connecticut. His father was, at that time, pastor of the Old Bowery Church, of New York. He graduated from Union College in 1842, and pursued his theological studies at Princeton Theological Seminary, 1842-44.

He was ordained by the Presbytery of Long Island, November 6th, 1845, and was the fourteenth in succession of the Woodbridge family to enter the ministry.

He was installed pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Greenport, L. I., N. Y., on the above date, and remained as such until 1850. He accepted a call to the Presbyterian Church, Saratoga Springs, and labored there, 1850 to 1871. He then removed to New Brunswick, N. J. and became pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, serving from 1873 to 1893, when he retired as pastor emeritus and removed to South Pasadena, Cal. Here he died July 4th, 1909, in his 86th year. He received the degree of D.D. from Union College, in 1865.

He was twice married, and is survived by his widow and two sons and three daughters.

# Presbytery of Newton.

## REV. LUTHER DAVIS,

son of Charles and Elizabeth (Day) Davis, was born January 8, 1871, at Phillipsburg, N. J.

At the age of seventeen, he confessed his faith in the Dutch Reformed Church of Easton, Pa.

He was graduated from Lafayette College in 1891.

He then engaged in teaching, one year at Oxford, Pa., and one in the Easton High School.

He entered the Theological Seminary, Princeton, N. J., in 1893 and graduated in 1896.

He received licensure from the Presbytery of Lehigh May 12th, 1896, and was ordained by the Presbytery of Carlisle July 17th, 1896, and was installed at the same time pastor of the Paxton Presbyterian Church of Paxtang, Pa. Resigning July 11th, 1901, he assumed the pastorates successively in the Graham Memorial Church, Coronado, Cal., from October 30th, 1902, to February 23d, 1906; in the First Church, Petaluma, Cal., from April 20th, 1906, to October 15th, 1907, and at the First Church, Blairstown, N. J., from February 5th, 1908, to February 15th, 1909, the date of his death.

He died at Easton, Pa., in the 39th year of his age and was buried at Easton, Pa. He was unmarried. He was a man of conspicuous ability, of careful culture, of charming personality and consecrated spirit.

# Presbytery of West Jersey.

## REV. DAVID HALL LAVERTY, D.D.,

son of James and Maria Laverty, was born in Clearfield, Pa., June 20th, 1833. He made public confession of his faith in the Presbyterian Church of Two Ridges, Ohio, May 12th, 1849.

He was graduated from Washington College, Pa., in 1860. Two years were spent at the Western Theological Seminary, and one year at Princeton Seminary, from which he graduated in 1863.

The Presbytery of Washington granted him licensure in April, 1862, and ordination June 16th, 1863, installing him at the same time over the Frankfort and Three Springs Churches, over which he remained pastor until 1865. He then gave himself to Home Missionary Work in Ohio and Western Pennsylvania.

During the first twenty years, "he received over 700 people into the Church," and his labors were blessed with frequent and extensive revivals. During three years either as Pastor or Stated Supply he served the following churches; Pastor Rockhill, Ohio, 1865-67; Stated Supply, Cameron and Wegee, 1867-71; S. S. at Wegee, Pipe Creek and Bethel, 1871-72; Pastor at Bainesville, 1872-74; Pastor Enon, Pa., 1874-81; Pastor Crestline, Ohio, 1882, Pastor Wheatland Church, Scottsville, N. Y., 1883-1885; Stated Supply, Harrisville, New Hope and Pleasant Valley, Pa., 1884-85. Removing to Maryland, he was pastor-elect of Lonaconing, Md., in 1887 and Pastor, 1888.

He next went to Delaware, being Stated Supply at Coal Spring and at Lewes and Rehoboth until 1893.

Coming to New Jersey he became pastor of the Cold Spring Church, being installed by the Presbytery of West Jersey, July 3d, 1894. This relation was dissolved September 18th, 1906. This pastorate of thirteen years was his last, "Most worthily crowning the labors of a continuously active and successful ministry of over 43 years."

Being honorably retired, he removed to Philadelphia, Pa., where he died, after a brief illness, June 28th, 1909, aged 76 years and eight days. He was buried in the Cold Spring Cemetery, Cape May county, N. J.

He was honored with the degree of D.D. in 1890 by Windsor College, Md. He represented the Presbytery of West Jersey in General Assembly in 1901.

He was married October, 1864, to Miss Kate E. Smith, of Candos, Pa., who survives him.

# REV. WILLIAM AIKMAN, D.D.,

was born in New York City, August 12th, 1824. He entered the University of New York in 1842, graduating with honor in 1846. He then entered Union Theological Seminary, New York, and graduated in 1849. He was licensed, April 12th, 1849, by the Fourth Presbytery of New York, and ordained December 23d, 1849, by the Presbytery of Newark. He was at the same time installed pastor of the Sixth Presbyterian Church of Newark, N. J., and remained in charge until 1857, when he was called to the Hanover Church of Wilmington, Del.

On January 25th, 1869, he was called to the Spring Street Church of New York City, where he remained till April 7th, 1872. In 1872 he accepted a call to Detroit, Mich., and in 1877 to Aurora, N. Y., resigning in 1881 on account of illness. From 1883 to 1894 he was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Atlantic City, N. J., where he subsequently resided.

He was the author of a number of books and pamphlets, and was influential in the courts of the Church. For the last eight or nine years of his life he served as Probation Officer of Atlantic County, N. J.

He died at Atlantic City, on Sabbath day, May 25th, 1909, aged 84 years, 9 months and 20 days. By special request, his body was cremated at Frankford, Pa., and his ashes taken to Troy, N. Y.

He was given the degree of Doctor of Divinity by the University of New York, 1869; was Moderator of the Synod of Pennsylvania, 1862-1863; was many times Commissioner to the General Assembly, and was at all times influential in the courts of the Church.

He was married to Anna Matilda Burns, July 28th, 1849, who, with four children, survives him.

Thus in the passing year twelve good men and true have passed on before, to larger life, more joyous service and higher honors. Apostolic in number, apostolic in spirit and service, we honor ourselves while thus doing them honor, and catch inspiration while reviewing their lives and labors. That one was the Nestor of 95 long years should tell us that none can be exempt from death; that one was but 39, just entering with large hopes into a new field of labor, should teach us that none should presume on the life of many days. May we not each say, in altered phrase:

"Because these men are dead who stood so close to me Through many happy years; because their hearts beat true For all mankind, in joy or rue, the hidden Christ to see. That was their aim; therefore no tears can fall. I lift mine eyes serene to that blessed land Where our dead live—a radiant band Knowing no death, but life continual. Because these men are dead, I thank my God That they once lived to glorify earth's load."

WM. W. KNOX, Chairman.

# III.—ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS IN NEW JERSEY.— TWENTY-THIRD YEAR: OCT. 1ST, 1908—SEPT. 30TH, 1909.

The Presbyterians of New Jersey have faith in Synodical Home Missions. Their works show it. For the nineteenth time in twentythree years they have broken their own record in contributions to this cause. During the fiscal year ending September 30th, 1908, under special pressure, there was an increase of more than three thousand dollars in total receipts over those of any like period before. It was feared that the high water mark thus made could not be permanently maintained. But, leaving out of account in the comparison legacies and special gifts, the seven Presbyteries contributing through the Synod's treasury in both years have still further increased their total contributions by more than \$200. When the gifts of all the eight Presbyteries are included, as heretofore, there is an actual increase of about \$1,500 for the work hitherto covered by this report. The combined receipts from all sources for missionary support, as shown by the statements of the two treasurers, give a grand total of \$27,455.51, which is over \$3,500 more than was ever before reported.

Could there be any better proof of the interest and confidence of ministers, elders and people of New Jersey in this work which is carried on under their own eyes and by their own hands within their own State?

#### THE RECORD OF THE PRESBYTERIES.

Six out of the eight Presbyteries met or exceeded the amount apportioned to them to raise. They were Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Elizabeth, New Brunswick, West Jersey and Newark.

Monmouth is entitled to first mention because she led all the Presbyteries from start to finish in the prompt forwarding of gifts, first crossed the line of apportionment, and finished furthest beyond it. Sixteen churches exceeded their apportionments, twenty others exactly met theirs. Only twelve out of forty-eight fell short, five of these lacked less than a dollar, and the deficiency of only one of the remaining seven exceeded \$6.00. Her total gifts—\$2,477.22—were \$377.22 more than the minimum set for her. There is an intimation here that perhaps before long Monmouth may be paying into the treasury a sum equal to or even in excess of the needs of her own fields. No expenditures for local mission work are reported, but a legacy was received from within that Presbytery during the year which makes the total amount given for New Jersey Missions during the year \$2,814.14. Monmouth gave to the Board of Home Missions in its last fiscal year \$4,317.55.

Jersey City Presbytery, while it did not reach its apportionment, or quite attain to its own best record, made an increase over the preceding year in giving the general fund \$2,172.45, and added \$1,252.53 special for Italian work in Jersey City, making the total paid into Synod's treasury \$3,424.98. The reported gifts to local mission work amounted to \$1,968, making total for New Jersey Missions \$5,392.98. Jersey City gave the Board last year \$5,281.93.

When regard is had to the gifts of churches only, Morris and Orange makes the largest contribution to Synod's fund, and, requiring less herself, does most for the parts of the Synod less financially strong. But that her own mission field is not overlooked, is indicated by the report of over \$3,600 additional, directly spent by two of her churches on local missions. Adding this to the gifts to the Synod's treasury of \$3,600, gives Morris and Orange a total of more than \$7,200 raised for missions in New Jersey. Morris and Orange gave the Board, last year, \$18,039.66.

When both church and individual gifts are counted, the Presbytery of Elizabeth makes the largest contribution to the Synodical fund. It amounted in the past year to \$4,500.02. The churches of Elizabeth also made large gifts directly to the support of local missions. These amounted to \$9,842, making a total of \$14,342 for mission support. If we add the amount raised during the year for building a mission chapel, under the care of the Committee, the total becomes \$16,085 for New Jersey missions. Elizabeth gave to the Board \$12,300.

In proportion to financial ability, no churches contribute more liberally to the Synod's fund than do the churches of New Brunswick Presbytery. This Presbytery gave \$3,200, which exceeded last year's gifts by almost \$200. The direct contributions to local work reported amount to \$2,018.50, which makes New Brunswick's total for New Jersey work \$5,208. 50. New Brunswick gave to the Board \$6,408.29.

West Jersey Presbytery continues to hold the unique distinction of having met or surpassed her full apportionment for every one of the twenty-three years. Her gifts the past year make a slight advance on anything previously done. They amount to \$2,608.22, to which must be added gifts to local Italian missions, aggregating about \$650. These yield a total of \$3,250.22. West Jersey gave to the Board \$4,007.25.

Newton Presbytery has a large proportion of small rural and village churches, and comparatively few of financial strength. Some of her smaller churches, however, like the Churches of Macedonia, set an example in the grace of liberality. The Presbytery sent \$918.76 to the treasury. No gifts for local work are reported, but there is much preaching at school houses and out stations. Newton gave the Board \$2,906.91.

While Newark has not yet reached the mark of \$10,000 for Newark missions, which she has set for herself in this calendar year, she has made a marked advance during the past twelve months. There was raised and expended by the Presbytery's committee for missionary support, \$6,554.07, the largest amount that the Presbytery has put into

such work in its whole history. The total amount contributed to the Church Extension Committee was \$8,053.92. The local missionary work of individual churches reported, aggregates \$17,467.66, making a grand total for missionary work done within that Presbytery of \$25,521.58. Newark gave the Board \$12,528.91.

These figures show that in addition to the \$1,200,000 given for the self support of their 377 churches, New Jersey Presbyterians raised, in the past year, more than \$64,000 for the further evangelization of the State. Directly by its agencies and indirectly by its influence, the Synodical Home Mission Movement has been a chief factor in this work and is its unifying center.

At the same time the Presbyterians of New Jersey gave to the Board of Home Missions a total for the last year of \$65,882.82 for work in the regions beyond.

#### EXPENDITURES.

The total expenditures, including administration, in the seven Presbyteries which have drawn from the Synod's treasury in both years were this year \$20,203.35 against \$19,407.08 last year. a net increase of nearly \$800 (\$706.27).

Comparing items for the two years, administration costs this year \$245.04, a decrease of \$115.11; Morris and Orange drew \$1,620, a decrease of \$35.00; West Jersey, including Van Meter Fund, drew \$4,311.95, a decrease of \$78.42; New Brunswick drew \$1,663.33, a decrease of \$278.55, which was brought about chiefly by a new arrangement of Italian work. The First Church, Jersey City, spent \$91.10 less on its Italian work, the amount this year being \$1,252.53. These decreases amount all together to \$598.18.

Newton drew \$1,279.11, an increase of \$20.39; Monmouth drew \$3,370.22, an increase of \$144.89; Elizabeth drew \$2,521.17, an increase of \$321.17; Jersey City drew \$3,940, an increase of \$909.00. The whole increase in these Presbyteries was \$1,394.45.

There are always slight fluctuations in the requirements of the Presbyteries, even when there is no change in the work cared for. The decreases were largely due to temporary causes; while the increases, for the most part, indicate new work, which will require continued and, in some instances, increased assistance. It is safe to say that the expansion of work during the year in the seven Presbyteries represents more than \$1,000 of additional annual expenditure. Figures for exact comparison in Newark Presbytery are not at hand, but it is evident from the reports received that increased work has been undertaken there also to the extent of more than \$1,000.

This shows that continued growth in contributions is needed to keep pace with this ever growing work.

#### NOTES OF WORK DONE IN THE PRESBYTERIES.

In the Presbytery of Elizabeth, three fully organized churches and five missions were aided, in which four ministers and four lay workers were employed.

At Keasby, where a Sunday-school for the children of foreigners has been supported for some time, a chapel is being erected at a cost of \$2,300. At Bernardsville, under the immediate care of the Basking Ridge Church, the mission for the Italians has been effectively carried on. Through the summer both weekday and Sunday schools have been held, with an attendance of 50 or 60 children, a night-school for men, 30 in attendance, and a men's Bible class of 15. A chapel to cost over \$6,000 is in course of construction. At Westfield, the Italian work, hitherto carried on by union effort, has now been transferred to the Presbyterians, and arrangements for its further development undertaken. This mission is in touch with 70 families, aggregating 400 persons, has a Sunday-school of 50 or 60, including some men, has a woman to visit the homes, a Friday evening preaching service, and at special services in August gathered audiences of 100 to 150. Elizabeth, in response to the written application of 19 Persians, then resident in that city, a place of meeting was provided, and Biblical instruction given them in their own tongue for a time, but the removal of the teacher and other circumstances arrested the work.

In the Presbytery of Jersey City, eight churches and ten missions received aid, in these ten ministers and eight lay workers were employed. The Lafayette Church received seventy-three on profession of faith. It is suggestive to note in this connection that the pastor made almost 1,500 pastoral visits. The Totowa Mission, Paterson, received fourteen upon profession and three upon certificate, a net gain of fifty per cent, upon the previous membership worshiping there. St. Augustine, Paterson and Passaic German, each received twelve upon profession of faith. Newfoundland made a net gain of nine, bringing the total membership to 101. Two were added to the Armenian Mission, West Hoboken, making the total communicants forty-two; the number of reported attendants there is sixty-two. Armenian services were also held by the same missionary at Paterson (fifteen communicants) and Hackensack (attendance 25). The Syrian Mission, West Hoboken, reports an average attendance of forty-five and twenty-five communicants, enrolled as members of the First Church, in whose building the meetings are held. At the Italian Mission in Jersey City, twelve were received upon profession of faith and the communicants now number forty-six. A fund of \$3,000 has been set apart by the Presbytery toward the erection of a building for Italians in Jersey City. In Paterson the Italian work, previously started by separate churches and through a colporteur of the Board of Publication, has been concentrated and developed under care of a resident missionary. He reports fifteen received upon profession of faith, who form the nucleus of the new work. Investigation among Italians at Hackensack has been made by a colporteur and it is proposed to start a permanent mission to be supplied for the present by the missionary in Paterson.

In Monmouth Presbytery aid was given to fourteen churches and five other mission points. This Presbytery has nineteen churches with less than 100 members and eight of these have less than fifty. They are

faithfully looked after and usually supplied with preaching, but often lack permanent pastoral care. Much use is necessarily made of student supplies. The aided churches generally are eager to reach self-support and many of them are making progress toward it. Two, Sayreville German, and South Amboy, have just assumed it. The South River German received seventeen upon profession of faith and is rapidly growing in all departments of its work. Tuckerton received fourteen on profession and Lakehurst twelve. The Italian Mission at Burlington has an average attendance of ten or twelve, and it is interesting to learn that the services are now conducted by the first convert of the mission, a man greatly respected both by his own countrymen and Americans. A building is about to be erected for the Italians at Red Bank, where services are regularly carried on by a Bloomfield student and about thirty communicants are enrolled. The same man has also conducted services for the Italians in Long Branch, including street meetings during the summer, which were well attended.

In the Presbytery of Morris and Orange aid has been given to six churches and two mission points, employing four ministers and three lay workers. Three of the churches are grouped in one pastoral charge. Only one of the churches aided has over fifty members. Aid is given to the union work for *Italians at Morristown*, to the settlement at *Summit* and the *Magyar Church of Wharton*. The latter has been organized during the year with about forty-five members. A sub-committee, known as the Committee of Church Extension for the Oranges, has been appointed. It has inaugurated a movement for a new church in *West Orange*, having secured a lot and building plans and arranged for a Sunday-school. In *South Orange* land for a church has been offered and the field is under investigation with a view to starting work there.

In the Presbytery of Newark this has been a year of planning and readjustment. At the instance and expense of the Church Extension Committee a religious and sociological survey of the city of Newark has been made by the Immigration Department of the Board of Home Missions, and a map and charts showing the results have been prepared. In addition to two regularly trained Deaconesses from the Baltimore Home, employed by individual churches, the committee has employed a third Deaconess for general work, particularly among the foreign population. The venerable Mr. William Rankin, whose name was so long associated as Treasurer, with the Board of Foreign Missions, has donated a house in Newark as a Deaconess Home.

The Magyar or Hungarian Mission begun a few years ago, and recently provided with a building of its own, was fully organized during the year as a Presbyterian Church, with seventy-eight members and six elders.

The first Ruthenian Presbyterian Church, not only of Newark, but of the United States and probably of the world, was organized during the year with over 100 members, and six elders. In accordance with racial predilections, it has chosen as its distinctive name, "The First Presbyterian Church of St. Peter and St. Paul of Newark, N. J." The

Church Extension Committee has taken charge of the work at Park View Chapel and proposes to develop it.

The Church of Vailsburg has become self-supporting.

Aid was given in Newark Presbytery to nine churches, and four mission points, in which twelve ministers and two lay workers were employed.

In the Presbytery of New Brunswick four churches and three mission points received aid. In a new section of Trenton, a church building, known as Pilgrim Church, has been erected, a congregation gathered and regular services established. The mortgage on the Italian Church, Trenton, has been paid off. In this well-equipped building the morning congregation averages more than forty, that of the evening more than eighty, the Sunday-school has 134 members, week-day classes for children and adults are held, and seven distinct church societies for men, women and children have their home. The communicants number eighty-four. Service for the Italians in Princeton is conducted each Sunday afternoon by the same missionary. The First Magyar Church of New Brunswick has effected another change of property, and expects soon to be housed in a church plant that will be large enough to meet the demands of any future growth. It reports an enrollment of 373 communicants and the baptism during the year of sixty-two infants.

In the Presbytery of Newton, six churches and three mission stations received aid, and these were served by six ministers. Seven additions on professions of faith, and five by certificate, with a total membership of 318, are reported. The Magyar Church at Alpha is enjoying peace and a good measure of prosperity under its new pastor, one of the first Hungarians who has taken his full theological course at Bloomfield.

In West Jersey Presbytery aid was given to twenty-seven churches and one mission station, served by eighteen ministers and five other workers. Five new churches, viz.: Albion, Camden-Westminster, Vineland (Italian), Emmanuel (colored), Atlantic City and Grenloch, were organized. The reports for the last Assembly year show seventy-nine additions on profession and 190 by certificate, with a total membership of 1,286 in the aided churches. There is a self-supporting German Church in Atlantic City, a church for Italians in Vineland and Hammonton, and a mission for them in Atlantic City.

#### SUMMARY OF THE WHOLE WORK.

Summarizing the work throughout the whole Synod: Aid was given for maintaining services in seventy-seven churches and thirty-three additional missions or preaching stations, 110 places in all; sixty-eight ordained ministers and thirty-one unordained workers received their support in whole or in part from Synodical Home Mission funds. Incomplete reports show that 4,500 sermons were preached, more than 1,800 prayer meetings held, and more than 15,000 visits made. The

adult baptisms reported were ninety-seven; infant baptisms, 404; additions on profession of faith, 776; and by certificate, 427. The total membership ministered to was over 6,000, and the 106 Sunday-schools had a membership of 8,500.

The aid granted helped to utilize ninety-four church buildings worth \$418,000, and twenty-nine manses worth \$100,000. In these fields \$18,600 was spent for four new churches.

The aided churches raised for self-support more than \$66,000, and for beneficence about \$5,500.

Three churches reached self-support. Many churches have decreased

Eight new churches have been organized in the Synod, six of them the direct result of S. H. M. work.

It may not be inappropriate at this point to emphasize the duty resting upon all engaged in this work to make full and prompt reports. It is not only an explicit requirement, but a moral obligation that they should furnish an accurate statement of what is being done to Presbytery and Synod, and through these to the churches and people that support the work.

#### SURVEY AND SUGGESTIONS.

Little if any progress seems to have been made in dealing with the problem of the weak rural churches, which are at a stand-still or declining in available constituency. Resolutions to group are easy, and frequent, actual grouping is hard and rare. Efforts to combine churches of different denominations are under way in some other Synods, but it is too early to ascertain results. Aggressive effort to build up such churches by the help of a Presbyterial evangelist is the best special method yet tried. Wherever a Presbytery deliberately decides that independent services should be continued, or even passively acquiesces in such continuance, it ought certainly to see that a living salary is provided, even if increased aid is necessary. It is cruel to the minister and his family, it precludes all possible chance of building up the church, to ask or allow the minister to work upon a salary utterly inadequate to his need. While results that can be tabulated are small, no money expended from Synod's treasury yields so large return in labor performed as that granted to the ministers in these weak churches. The amount given in each case is small, ranging usually between \$50 and \$200 per annum.

The opening of tunnels to New Jersey from the great cities on her borders has given, and will give, a great stimulus to the already very rapid growth of population in this State. Prompt and even liberal aid in the *new communities* or new sections of our towns or cities, as in the Oranges, for example, will not only provide immediate religious privileges for the people who are coming in, but it will often lead to the speedy development of a self-supporting, active and contributing church. If missions were only a business, such expenditures would be

good business. Missions are the King's business, which includes material means in order to spiritual results.

The work among the people of foreign speech has suddenly sprung into great prominence and importance. The Presbyterians of New Jersey are now carrying on services of some description at twenty points in German (all organized churches and generally self-supporting), at more than twenty in Italian (nine church buildings are either already built or are in course of construction), at five in Hungarian (all organized and possessing buildings), at three for Armenians, two for Syrians, one center and many out-stations for Ruthenians, at least one place for Chinese, and during a part of the year one for Persians. Like foreign mission work abroad, this work is expensive, because the people have in many instances to be first won to the truth, and even when won are poor. But just now is at once the period of our greatest opportunity and of their greatest need. The great tide of immigration is swelling again. It is important to provide well equipped plants for institutional church work among immigrants in the great centers of such population, but it is inexpedient to attempt to start an independent mission and separate services for the foreigners where their numbers in any community are comparatively small. The latter class should be reached by colporteurs or itinerant missionaries and by literature. The aim of such effort should be to bring the foreigners into touch with the local church through classes in English and the like, and definite effort should be made through separate classes in the Sunday-school, or separate schools, if need be, to get the children into Sunday-schools. This matter is again brought to the attention of Young People's Societies and Brotherhoods as affording them fields of useful service, white harvest fields ready to their

There were, in round numbers, 80,000 colored people in New Jersey at the last State census in 1905. Their number had been increasing at the average rate of 2,000 a year for fifteen years. The religious census of 1906 shows about 250 colored church organizations, with a reported membership of 28,000, so that more than 50,000 colored people in New Jersey (or two out of three) are without even nominal membership in any church. We have, including the new one just organized in this city, seven churches and two or three small missions among them. These churches probably never were so well supplied with pastors as now, and their condition has shown marked improvement recently. It is proposed by Synod's Committee in the present year to make special investigation of the call and opportunities for work among these people, and, if the situation warrants, to inaugurate still more aggressive work among them.

Thus, during its brief history, Synodical Home Mission work in New Jersey has not only grown greatly in contributions and extent, but has become polyglot in speech and much varied in racial elements. Of necessity, new and very different modes of activity have been required. Synodical Home Missions in New Jersey is no longer simply

a scheme for rendering assistance in the support of a settled pastor or the start of a new organization made up of people already Presbyterians and Americans. While this is still done, there is also demand now in many instances for the securing of sites and the erection of buildings, for the devising of varied modes of organization and management, and for the securing, training and direction of different classes of workers in many tongues. As the need has arisen the Synodical machinery has been adjusted to it without difficulty or friction, and the work presented has been efficiently carried on by the committees in the several Presbyteries upon whom the immediate management and responsibility rests.

#### CHANGES IN COMMITTEE.

Rev. Percy Y. Schelly resigned the chairmanship of the S. H. M. Committee in Newton Presbytery last spring. He had served for two years. The building of the Magyar Church at Alpha, and the continued existence of that congregation were largely due to his active and efficient interest. He was a genial co-worker whom his brethren on the Committee regretted to lose. His place was filled by the appointment of Rev. Robt. Robinson, who has acted for the latter half of the year.

With this meeting of Synod, Rev. W. W. Halloway, D.D., retires from our Committee, having resigned the chairmanship in Morris and Orange Presbytery after fourteen years of most valuable service both in the Presbytery and upon Synod's Committee. It is not too much to say that the fine record which Morris and Orange has made in all these years in meeting its apportionment—rightly the largest in the Synod—has been due mainly to the wisdom, the zeal and the faithfulness of Dr. Halloway as its Home Mission leader. His brethren in the Committee will greatly miss his delightful companionship, his wise counsel, his readiness to help and his efficient activity. Rev. Wendell Prime Keeler, by appointment of Presbytery, takes Dr. Halloway's place on Synod's Committee.

The Committee of the Presbytery of Newark asks a verbal change in the designation of the officer to serve as its representative on Synod's Committee. Rev. Davis W. Lusk, D.D., previously chairman, but now superintendent in that Presbytery, will thus be continued as a member of Synod's Committee.

The last Assembly widened the scope and constituency of the Advisory Council on Home Missions and changed its name to the Advisory Council on Church Extension, as will be seen by reference to the Assembly Minutes, p. 172.

#### RESOLUTIONS.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, I. That the Synod, by rising vote, hereby records its gratitude to Mr. W. P. Stevenson for his service as Treasurer of Synodical Home Missions during this, the eighth successive year of his incumbency.

- 2. That Synod hereby expresses its appreciation of the loyal and liberal support given to Synodical Home Missions, by pastors, sessions and people, and reiterates its conviction of the wisdom and efficiency of the present method of carrying on mission work within the State.
- 3. That in accordance with the wish of the Church Extension Committee of that Presbytery, the Presbyterial Superintendent of Missions in Newark Presbytery shall hereafter be its representative on Synod's Committee.
- 4. That Synod hereby agrees to the Assembly's proposal for an Advisory Council on Church Extension and appoints the Chairman of the Synodical Home Mission Committee as its representative *ex officio*, with power to designate any other member of the committee as his alternate in case he cannot attend.
- 5. That the Treasurer be directed to set aside from the balance in hand the sum of \$3,000 as a Special Fund to be at the disposal of the Synodical Committee during the year as provided in the Plan.
- 6. That 'the Synodical Home Mission Committee be authorized to transfer to the Trustees of Synod, such additional sum of money, not exceeding \$300, as may be necessary to secure a desirable investment of the Synodical Home Mission Funds now held by the Trustees.
- 7. That the several Presbyteries be asked to raise during the current fiscal year at least the following amounts:

Elizabeth,	\$3,500 00
Jersey City,	2,500 00
Monmouth,	2,300 00
Morris and Orange,	3,600 00
Newark,	4,500 00
New Brunswick,	3,200 00
Newton,	1,200 00
West Jersey,	2,600 00
- Total,	\$23,400 00

8. That grants be made to the Presbyteries from the general fund of sums not to exceed the following amounts:

Elizabeth,	\$2,500 00
Jersey City,	3,300 00
Monmouth,	3,400 00
Morris and Orange,	2,000 00
Newark,	4,500 00
New Brunswick,	1,700 00
Newton,	1,350 00
West Jersey,	4,300 00
For administration,	350 00

Total, ......\$23,400 00

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee,

SAMUEL McLANAHAN,

Chairman.

# DIRECT GIFTS TO LOCAL MISSIONS 1908-09.

Note—The list includes all such work reported to the chairmen of the S. H. M. Committee in the several Presbyteries. Omissions, if any, occur through failure of the church to report.

## PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH.

Contributing Church. Object of Contribution.	Amount.
Basking Ridge, Bernardsville, Italian,	\$190 00
Cranford,Garwood Chapel,	240 00
Elizabeth, Second,Bethany Chapel, Siloam Church	
Sunday-school, City Mission-	
ary, etc.,	590 90
Elizabeth, Third, Bethany Chapel, Italian work,	987 00
Elizabeth, Westminster, Hope Chapel support,	1,695 00
Elizabeth, Greystone,Goodwill Mission Sunday-school,	140 00
Plainfield,	
els,	5,000 00
Westfield,	1,000 00
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PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY.	
Contributing Church. Object of Contribution.	Amount.

Contributing Church. Obj	ject of Contribution.	Amount.
Jersey City, First,Lafay	rette Presbyterian,	\$300 00
West	Hoboken, Armenian,	120 00
Jersey City, Westminster, Deaco	oness,	240 00
Englewood,Betha	ny Chapel,	556 00
Paterson, East Side, Pater	son, Italians,	20 00
Rutherford,Lyndl	hurst Chapel,	
Passaic,Walli	ngton Chapel,	300 00
Hoboken,	ken Mission,	432 00

## PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE.

Contributing Church.	Object of Contribution.	Amount.
Morristown, South Street,.	. Market Street Mission,	\$2,300 00
Orange, Central,	.West Orange,	1,300 00

## PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK.

Contributing Church.	Object	of Con	tribution	n.		Amou	nt.
Newark, First,	. Bethany,	Olivet	Chapel	and	the		
	Tabern	acle,				\$10,309	30
	Other ou	tside lo	cal worl	ζ,		866	34

Object of Contribution

Contributing Church

Amount

50 00

125 00

15 00

196 50

120 00

210 00

Contributing Church. Object of Contribution.	Amount.
Newark, Third,Chinese Mission,	\$700 00
Newark, Roseville Ave., Support West Church,	300 00
Newark, South Park, Memorial Chapel,	1,000 00
Newark, Park Church, North Park Chapel,	700 00
Third Street Mission,	300 00
Newark, Second,Fewsmith Memorial Church,	900 00
For an outside Sunday-school,	300 00
PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.	
Contributing Church. Object of Contribution.	Amount.
Trenton, First,	Amount. \$250 00
Trenton, First,	\$250 00
Trenton, First,	\$250 00 15 00
Trenton, First,	\$250 00 15 00 150 00
Trenton, First, Church Extension Committee, Trenton, Second, Church Extension Committee, Trenton, Third, Church Extension Committee, City Missionary, Montgomery Street Mission, Trenton, Fourth, Church Extension Committee,	\$250 00 15 00 150 00 120 00
Trenton, First,	\$250 00 15 00 150 00 120 00 350 00
Trenton, First, Church Extension Committee, Trenton, Second, Church Extension Committee, Trenton, Third, Church Extension Committee, City Missionary, Montgomery Street Mission, Trenton, Fourth, Church Extension Committee, Church Extension Committee (extra),	\$250 00 15 00 150 00 120 00 350 00
Trenton, First, Church Extension Committee, Trenton, Second, Church Extension Committee, Trenton, Third, Church Extension Committee, City Missionary, Montgomery Street Mission, Trenton, Fourth, Church Extension Committee, Church Extension Committee	\$250 00 15 00 150 00 120 00 350 00 125 00

Trenton, Bethany, .........Church Extension Committee,...

Trenton, Walnut Ave., .... Church Extension Committee, ...

Princeton, First, .......... Colored Men's Club, ........

Female Italian Missionary, .....

Witherspoon Street Church, ....

### IV.—TREASURER'S REPORT—SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

#### To the Synod of New Jersey:

I present to you herewith my report as Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Funds for the twenty-third fiscal year, beginning October 1st, 1908, and ending September 30th, 1909.

The receipts have been as follows:

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	General w	ork, .					٠.	\$2,920 02	!
								410 90	,
"	contributions	from	Presb.	of	Elizabeth,	\$3,500	02		
64	"	"			ph Voorhees, Eliz-				
					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1.000	00		
"	"	46			Jersey City,				
"	"	"			rch of Jersey City,		75		
					Italian Work,		۲2		
"	"	66							
"	"		I Tesp.		Monmouth,	2,477	22		
**		"	Estate	0	f Miss Chapman,				
			of I	Mon.	mouth,	335	54		
"	"	"	Presb.	of	Morris & Orange,	3,600	00		
**	66	"	* "		Newark,				
"	"	"	"	"	New Brunswick,	3,200	00		
"	"	"	"	"	Newton,	016	76		
"	"	"	"	66	West Jersey,	2,608	22		
								†21,146 44	
"		1		,					
								57 47	
"	Van Meter F	und,	West.	Jers	ey Presbytery,			195 67	
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The disbursements to ministers and missionaries have been as follows:

Total receipts for the year, ......\$24,730 50

In	Presbytery	of	Elizabeth,	\$2,271 17
"	"	"		
**	"	"	" " Italian Work,	1,252 53
+6	"	"	Monmouth,	3,370 22
46	+4	44	Morris & Orange,	1,620 00
46	.,	44	*Newark,	25 00
"	"	46	New Brunswick,	1,663 33
4.6	"	"	Newton,	1,079 11
4.6	"	66	West Jersey,	4,161 95
Fo	r administra		n expenses,	
			-	<del></del>

Amount forward		†	\$18,913 35
In Presbytery of Elizabeth,	\$250	00	
" " Jersey City,	715		
" " Newton,	200	00	
Payment, account Van Meter Fund,	150	00	
_			1,315.00
Investment of legacies,			585 54
Balance to be carried to next year's work,			3,460 04
" " credit of Van Meter Fund,			456 57
		-	\$24,730 50

The following schedules are annexed to and form a part of this report:

Schedule I. Showing the payments made to aid-receiving churches, the contributions received from congregations, Sabbath-schools, societies and individuals, and the total contributions received from each church.

Schedule II. Showing the total contributions received from the respective Presbyteries.

Schedule III. Showing the amounts which the various Presbyteries were asked to contribute, and the amounts received from them respectively.

Schedule IV. Showing the appropriations to the different Presbyteries, the amounts paid for services during the year, and the unused balances of appropriations which have fallen into the General Fund under the provisions of Article VI, Section 6, of the plan revised October 17th, 1900.

### Respectfully submitted.

#### W. P. STEVENSON,

Dated Roselle, N. J., October 9th, 1909.

Treasurer.

\* Contributions in the Presbytery of Newark are now made directly to the Church Extension Committee of that Presbytery, which gives aid both for church buildings and for the support of missionaries.

The \$83.70 receipts and \$25.00 expended, shown in above report, occurred before this arrangement went into effect.

† These figures only show what passed through the hands of Synod's Treasurer. By concurrent action of Synod and the Presbytery of Newark, the receipts and expenditures within that Presbytery for the support of missionaries are to be reported with and regarded as an integral part of Synodical Home Missions. The report of the Treasurer of the Church Extension Committee of Newark Presbytery appears on page 9.

The combined contributions to S. H. M. work for the year			
Through Synod's Treasury,	\$21,146	44	
In Newark Presbytery, for Missionary Support,	6,309	07	
		\$27,455	51
The total expenditures for the year are:			
From General Fund,	\$18,913	35	
From Special Fund,	1,315	00	
By Newark Committee,	6,309	17 	
		— \$20,537 ·	42

#### SCHEDULE I.

Showing the payments made to aid-receiving churches, the contributions received from congregations, Sabbath-schools, societies and individuals, and the total contributions received from each church.

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aidreceiving churches.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH.  Bernardsville, Italian, Basking Ridge, Bethlehem, Carteret, 1st Clarksville (Glen Gardner), Clinton, Cokesbury, Connecticut Farms, Cranford, 1st, Dunellen, Elizabeth, 1st,  " 2d, " 3d, " 1st German, " Greystone, " Madison Avenue, " Persian, " Siloam, " Westminster, " Bethany, Italian, Garwood, Keasby, Lamington, Liberty Corner, Lower Valley, Califon, Maurer, 1st German, Metuchen, 1st, Perth Amboy, 1st, Plainfield, 1st, " Crescent Avenue, " Bethel, " Hope, " Warren, Pluckamin, Rahway, 1st, " 2d, " German, Roselle, Springfield, Westfield, " Italian, Woodbridge, Rev. Ezra F. Mundy, Mrs. Ralph Voorhees,	\$300 00 83 34 9 00 123 20 150 00 795 63 360 00 150 00	\$115 00 10 00 15 00 85 00 20 00 60 00 140 00 15 00 114 50 20 00 25 00 9 50 113 85 00 25 00 30 27 40 00 50 00 130 23 125 00 348 50 27 30 118 50 27 30 33 00 25 00 180 00 114 95 60 00 265 00	\$27 47 275 00 	\$61 41	\$5 00 1000 00	\$115 00 10 00 15 00 20 00 60 00 140 00 60 00 140 00 60 00 175 91 20 00 175 91 20 00 175 90 18 75 11 89 250 00 9 50 30 27 40 00 348 50 27 30 118 50 80 70 348 50 27 30 118 50 80 70 367 70 27 00 180 00 174 95 65 00 270 28
Totals,	\$2521 17	\$3057 09	\$376 52	\$61 41	\$1005 00	\$4500 02

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF JERSEY CITY.						
Bayonne, Christ,		\$25 00				\$25 00
Garfstadt, German, Edgewater, Englewood, 1st, West Side, Garfield,	• • • • • • • •	10 00				10 00
Englewood, 1st,		418 12				418 12
West Side,		16 95				16 95
Hackensack,		7 00 65 00	\$13 35	\$3 00		23 35 65 00
Hoboken,		10 00	4 00	15 35		29 35
Hackensack, Hoboken, "Mission, Jersey City, 1st, 2d.	\$150 00	315 00				315 00
" 2d,						61 13
" Claremont,	• • • • • • • • •	110 00				110 00
" Lafavette	100 00	10 00				10 00
Newfoundland, Norwood, Palisades Park, Passaic, 1st,	100 00	20 00				20 00
Norwood,	150 00	12 00				12 00
Passaic, 1st,		140 00				140 00
" German, " Grace,	200 00	21 00				21 00
" Wallington.	200 00	23 09				23 09 2 00
" Wallington, " Ruthenian,	115 00					
" 2d		53 25 184 79				53 25 184 79
" 3d,						
		10 00				10 00
" Church of the Redeemer,		100 00				100 00
Last Side,		80 00			• • • • • • • •	80 00
" Madison Avenue,		25 00		3 00		28 00
" Dundee Lake,	200 00	4 00				4 00
" Madison Avenue, " Dundee Lake, " St. Augustine, " Westminster,	100 00	13 00				13 00
" Totowa,	200 00 200 00					
" Italian,	615 00					
Ridgewood,						
Rutherford. 1st.		14 28 43 14	50 00			14 28 93 14
" Totowa, " Arnenian, " Italian, Ridgewood, Ramsey, Rutherford, 1st, " Kingsland, Teaneck,	125 00					
Teaneck,		40 00	10 00			50 00
West Hoboken,		95 00				95 00
" Armenian,	285 00	3 00				3 00 2 00
Teaneck, Tenafly. West Hoboken,  " Armenian,  " Syrian,  West Milford, Wood Ridge,	200 00	20 00				20 00
Wood Ridge,					• • • • • • • •	
Totals,	\$3940 00	\$2073 75	\$77 35	\$21 35		\$2172 45

Asbury Park, 93 90 93 90 93 90 93 90 Asbarty Park, 93 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90	NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
Allentown, \$70 00 \$70 00 \$70 00 Asbury Park, 93 90 90 93 90	WIMMIN BETCHWITH OF MONMOUTH	8					
South River, German,         250 00         25 50         25 50           "Hungarian,         300 00	Allentown, Asbury Park, Atlantic Highlands, Barnegat and Forked River, Belmar, Bewerly, Bordentown, Burlington, "Italian, Columbus, 1st, Cranbury, 1st, Cranbury, 1st, Cream Ridge, Delanco, Englishtown, Farmingdale, and Oak Glen, Freehold, 1st,	230 00	93 90 35 10 13 26 7 82 22 44 61 62 34 00 100 67 150 00 62 90 18 30 28 50 39 67 16 50	\$37 00 \$37 01 27 01 6 20 10 00 15 00	\$13 00		93 90 35 10 13 26 7 82 22 44 111 62 34 00 100 67 10 92 150 00 62 90 18 30 28 50 39 67 16 50 101 68 72 00 9 60 10 04 140 88 3 82 27 00 9 62 15 69 12 00 140 88 3 82 27 00 9 60 15 69 17 40 27 54 24 00 70 70 30 00 57 90 17 40 27 54 24 00 70 70 50 35 05 15 04 64 50 06 50 00 50
	" Hungarian, Tennent, Toms River, Tuckerton, West Mantoloking, Yardville, Supplies,	200 00 145 83 187 00	232 40 45 00 18 30 6 00 10 00	10 00			242 40 45 00 18 30 6 00 10 00

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions frem societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE.						
Berkshire Valley, Mine Hill, and Luxemburg, Boonton, 1st. Chatham Ogden Memorial, Chester, Dover Memorial, East Orange, 1st, "Elmwood, "Arlington, "Bethel, "Brick, Fairmount, Flanders, German Valley, Hanover, Madison, Mendham, Mcrris Plains, Morristown, 1st, "South Street, Mt. Freedom, Mt. Olive, Myersville, German, New Providence, New Vernon, Orange, 1st,	200 00	8 00 4 00 67 66 97 50 6 82 183 25 300 00 8 00 95 68 105 00 225 00 17 00 16 00 90 00 16 61 300 00 17 00 15 00 15 00 15 00 15 00	\$16 27			4 00 83 93 97 50 6 82 183 25 300 00 95 68 105 00 225 00 17 00 5 00 16 61 300 00 275 00 16 00 16 61 300 00 275 00 15 00 39 08
" Central,		250 00 300 00 22 00				250 00 300 00 22 00
"St. Cloud, Orange Valley, German,		5 00	8 00			180 00 55 69 10 00 5 00
Pleasant Vanley, Pleasantdale, German, Pleasant Grove, Rockaway, Schooley's Mountain, South Orange, 1st, "" Trinity,		9 48 66 50 5 00 125 00				35 00 9 48 66 50 5 00 125 00 27 61
Succasunna, Summit, Central, "Syrian, Whinpany.	200 00	10 00 40 00 197 23				27 61 10 00 40 00 197 23
Wharton, Hungarian, Wyoming, West Orange Chapel, Mrs. Richard H. Allen,		10 00 3 62			\$100 00	10 00 3 62 100 00
'Totals	\$1620 00	\$3453 73	\$39 27	\$7 00	\$100 00	\$3600 00

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK.	ſ					
Montclair, Cedar Avenue,	\$25 00	\$10 00 50 00 8 70 15 00				\$10 00 50 00 8 70 15 00
Totals,	\$25 00 CONTRIBI	\$83 70		SHETENTA		\$83 70
		t of Treas	ExTE	NSION.		
		Ex		Committ		
Arlington, Bloomfield, 1st, "German, "Westminster, Caldwell, 1st, Kearney, Knox, Montclair, 1st, "Grace, "Trinity, "Upper, "Cedar Avenue, "Italian, Newark, 1st, "2d, "3d,		\$453 93				\$453 93
" Westminster,		227 50 120 00				227 50 120 00
Kearney, Knox,		86 oo 150 oo				86 oo 150 oo
" Grace, " Trinity.		101 99				101 99
" Upper,	\$450 00	35 00				35 00
" Italian, Newark, 1st,	200 00	5 00 2659 40	\$39 40			5 00 2698 80
" 2d, " 3d,		1145 00 556 39				1145 00 556 39
" 6th,"  " Elizabeth Avenue		95 57				95 57
" 2d		25 00 45 00				25 00 45 00
" " 3d', " Italian, 1st,	809 21	102 00 6 00				102 00 6 00
" Bethany,		50 00 42 85				50 00 42 85
" Central,		150 00				150 00
" Fewsmith,		180 37				180 37
" Forest Hill,		37 50	63 52			37 50 175 02
" Emanuel German,	200 00	40 00				40 00
" Manhattan Park," " Memorial,	300 00	35 00 168 70				35 00 168 70
" Park,	259 92	15 00	9 76			9 76 15 00
" Roseville,		675 69 171 00				675 69 171 00
Memorial,  " Park,  " Plane Street,  " Roseville,  " South Park,  " Wickliffe,  " West,  " Park View,  " Tabernacle, 1st,	2250 36	49 24				49 24
" Park View,	592 32					
" Hill Temple,		38 68	6 29			6 20
West, West, "Park View, "Tabernacle, 1st, "Hill Temple, "Park Chapel, "Hungarians, Roseland, Verona,	528 00	3 00	5 00			5 00 3 00
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NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches.
WITHIN PRES. OF NEWARK—(Con.) Vailsburg,	\$100 00	\$50 00				\$50 00
Individuals, Deaconesses,	256 76				\$189 45	189 45
Totals (1st column, Miss'y Support only),	\$6309 07	\$7740 50	\$123 97		\$189 45	\$8053 92
Payments for other purposes, Balance September 30th, 1909,	918 11 826 74 \$8053 92					
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.	φου <b>53</b> 92					
Bound Brook, Dayton, Dutch Neck, Ewing, Flemington, Frenchtown, Hamilton Square, Holland, Hopewell, Kingston Kingwood. Lambertville, 1st, Lawrenceville, Milford, Monmouth Junction, Mt. Airy, Amwell, 2d, Mt. Pleasant. Alexandria, 1st, New Brunswick, 1st, ""Hungarian, Pennington, Princeton, 1st, ""United, 1st, ""United, 1st, Reaville, Amwell, 1st, ""United, 1st, ""United, 1st, """United, 1st, Stockton, Titusville, Trenton, 1st, ""2d, ""3d, ""4ll, ""2d, ""3d, ""4ll, ""3d, ""4ll, ""3d, ""4ll, ""4ll,	80 00 180 00	\$115 00 40 00 50 00 41 00 80 00 80 00 81 42 33 30 00 50 00 150 00 175 00 175 00 175 00 175 00 175 00 175 00 175 00 175 00 175 00 177 00 177 00 177 177 22 00 335 08 330 98 330 98 342 55 174 72 1107 00	\$6 00 44 61	5 00		\$115 00 40 00 50 00 41 00 160 00 30 00 80 00 80 00 50 00 14 23 42 00 50 00 150 00 7 50 175 00
Trenton, 1st,  " 2d, " 3d, " 4tli, " sth. " Rethany, " East Trenton, " Prospect Street, " Walnut Avenue, " Italian " Pilgrim, J. H. Keener, Mrs. C. H. G.,		13 68 60 00 25 00 150 00	100 00	::::::		13 68 60 00 44 60 250 00
" Pilgrim, J. H. Keener, Mrs. C. H. G.,	845 00 50 00	15 00			\$5 00 150 00	5 00 150 00

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid- receiving churches	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath-schools.	Contributions from societies.	Total contributions individuals.	Contributions from from churches.
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF NEWTON.						
	¢=== 96					
Alpha, Andover, Asbury, Beattystown, Beemerville, Belvidere, 1st, " 2d, Blairstown, Bleomsbury	\$555 86					
Asbury.		\$10 00				\$10 00
Beattystown,	200 00	4 00				4 00
Beemerville,		17 00 100 00				17 00
" 2d		15 50				15 50
Blairstown,		75 22				75 22
Bloomsbury,		12 50				12 50
Danville	160 25	12 00				12 00
Deckertown,		35 00				35 00
Delaware,						
Greenwich		10 00				10 00
Hackettstown,		110 00				120 00
Hamburg,		9 00				9 00
Harmony,						
Lafavette	175 00	16 50				16 50
Mansfield, 2d,		5 20				5 20
Marksboro,		5 00				5 00
Newton 1st		150 00				150 00
North Hardyston,				[		
Ogdensburg,	25 50	25 00				25 00
Oxtord,		12 00	5 60	\$13 57		31 17
Westminster,		20 00	1 2 87			23 87
Sparta,	12 50	18 00				18 00
Stanhope,	1	6 30			1	6 30
Stewartsville.		6 30				6 30
Wantage, 1st,						
Washington,	7.50.00	125 00				125 00
Yellow Frame,	150 00	5 00		1		5 00
Cash.		4 00				4 00
"2d, Blairstown, Bloomsbury, Branchville, Denville, Deckertown, Delaware, Franklin Furnace, Greenwich, Hackettstown, Hamburg, Harmony, Knowlton, Lafayette, Mansfield, 2d, Marksboro, Musconetcong Valley, Newton, 1st, North Hardyston, Ogdensburg, Oxford, Phillipsburg, 1st, "Westminster, Sparta, Stanhope, Stillwater, Stewartsville, Wantage, 1st, Washington, Yellow Frame, Traill, Cash,			<u>!</u>		<u> </u>	!
Totals,	\$1270 11	\$883 72	\$19 47	\$13 57		\$916 76
Totals,	, 412/9 11	φυυς / 2	1 919 47	Ψ23 37	1	! 49.0 70
WITHIN PRESBYTERY OF WEST JERSEY.					!	1
Absecon and		\$14 00	, i			\$14 00
Leeds Point,	\$202 00	10 00	. 1			10 00
Atco.	170 00	20 00				20 00
Atlantic City, 1st,	1	80 00	\$30 00			110 00
" German,		17 00				100 00
Leeds Point, Atco. Atlantic City, 1st, " " German, " " Olivet, " " Chelsea, " " Colored Emanuel, " Westminster, Audubon, Logan Memorial, Berlin, Barrington, Billingsport, Blackwood, 1st, Bridgeton, 1st, " 2d, " 4th,	170 00	20 00	1	1	1	20 00
" Colored, Emanuel,		1 00				1 00
Westminster,	150.00	23 00				23 00
Berlin	58 85	23 00				8 00
Barrington,	50 00	10 00		1	1	10 00
Billingsport,	75 00	6 00				6 00
Blackwood, 1st,		125 00	15.00			50 00 140 00
2d	1	140 00	15 00			140 00
" 4th,	1	2 00	1	1	1	2 00

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Payments to aid.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from individuals.	Total contributions from churches,
WITHIN PRESENTERY OF WEST JERSEY—(Con.)						
Bridgeton, Irving Avenue,  Bunker Hill, and Glassboro, Camden, 1st,  " 2d, " 3d, " Calvary, " Woodland Avenue, " 4th, " Grace, " Westminster, Cape May City, Cedarville, 1st, " Osborn Memorial, Clayton, Cold Spring, Collingswood, Daretown, Pittsgrove, Whiglane, Deerfield, Elmer, Elwood, Brainerd, Fairfield, Fairton, Gloucester City, Green Creek and Tuckahoe, Greenwich, Haddonfield, 1st, Haddon Heights, Hammonton, 1st, Hammonton, 1st, Italian, Holly Beach, Janvier, Jericho, Laurel Springs, St. Paul's, Mays Landing, Merchantville, Millville, Ocean City, 1st, Pleasantville, Salem, 1st, Swedesboro, Vineland, Weenonah Memorial,	180 00 250 00 225 00 181 00 100 00 170 00 230 00 100 00	90 00 13 00 13 00 13 00 175 00 26 00 40 00 17 00 10 00 41 50 33 00 55 00 18 85 30 00 24 62 53 35 25 00 20 00 140 00 140 00 140 00 150 00 25 00 20 00 140 00 150 00 20 00 140 00 150 00 20 00 140 00 150 00 20 00 140 00 150 00 20 00 140 00 150 00 20 00 140 00 150 00 20 00 17 00 17 00 17 00 17 00 17 00 17 00 17 00 17 00 17 00 17 00 17 00 18 25 18 00 20 00	61 40 2 00 10 00 2 00 47 00	\$5 00		13 00 175 00 175 00 26 00 185 00 17 00 17 00 18 00 19 00 10 00 11 00 10 00 10 00 11 00 11 00 11 00 12 50 10 00 11 00 11 00 11 00 12 50 10 00 11
Williamstown, Woodbury, Woodstown. Woodbury Heights, Supplies. Presbyterial Missionary, Italian Work, Rev. Wm. Aikman, D.D., B. P. Howell, Rev. Samuel H. Potter, Interested Elder,	290 10 500 00				\$10 00 2 00 3 00 5 00	10 00
Totals,	\$4161 95	\$2300 45	\$230 77	\$57 00	\$20 00	\$2608 22

SCHEDULE 2.

Being a summary of columns 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Schedule 1.

PRESBYTERIES.	Contributions from congregations.	Contributions from Sabbath- schools.	Contributions from societies.	Contributions from indi- viduals.	Total contri- butions.
Elizabeth, Jersey City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Newark, New Brunswick, Newton, West Jersey,	\$3,057 09 2,073 75 2,151 70 3,453 73 83 70 2,800 79 883 72 2,300 45	\$376 52 77 35 112 52 39 27 220 21 19 47 230 77	21 35 13 00 7 00 24 00 13 57	100 00	\$4,500 02 2,172 45 2,477 22 3,600 00 83 70 3,200 00 916 76 2,608 22
Total Synod's Treasury, Ch. Extension Com., Newark,	\$16,804 93 7,740 50			\$1480 00 189 45	\$19,558 37 8,053 92

#### SCHEDULE 3.

Showing the amounts which the respective Presbyteries were asked to contribute to the Synodical Treasury, the amounts received, and the excess or deficiency.

PRESBYTERIES.	Amounts asked for.	Amounts received.	Excess.	Deficiency.	
Elizabeth, Jersey City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, New Brunswick, Newton, West Jersey,	\$3,500 00 2,500 00 2,100 00 3,600 00 3,200 00 1,200 00 2,600 00	\$3,500 02 2,172 45 2,477 22 3,600 00 3,200 00 916 76 2,608 22	\$0 02 377 22 8 22		

## SCHEDULE 4.

Showing the appropriations to the resepective Presbyteries, the amounts paid for services therein, and the unused balances.

PRESBYTERIES.	Appropria-	Amounts	Unused
	tions.	Paid.	Balances.
Elizabeth, Jersey City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Newark, New Brunswick, Newton, West Jersey, Administration,	\$2,300 00 3,400 00 3,500 00 1,800 00 6,334 07 1,750 00 1,150 00 4,400 00 400 00	\$2,271 17 3,225 00 3,370 22 1,620 00 6,334 07 1,663 33 1,079 11 4,161 95 245 04	\$28 83 175 00 129 78 180 00 

## V.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON HOME MISSIONS.

Attention has already been called to the decease of the Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson, the great home missionary, whose name will rank with Dr. Marcus Whitman in the performance of notable deeds for the nation and the kingdom.

The report of the Board is an interesting and valuable compendium of home missionary facts.

The total number of missionaries who have labored in the vast field under the care of the Board during the year was 1,435, of whom 59 were Cuban, Porto Rican, Mexican and Indian helpers. There were 447 missionary teachers. As the fruit of their labor, the Lord added to the churches 7,135 members by confession of faith, and 4,635 by certificate; 93 new churches were organized, 72 new edifices were erected and 110 churches reached the roll of self-support. The Board received from all sources last year the sum of \$1,073,000.00. This is the largest sum ever reported to the Assembly by the Board.

This Synod gave to the Board of Home Missions (not including Synodical Home Missions) the sum of \$65,862. Dividing by our net total of 82,977 communicants we have an average of only 80 cents per member—only 80 cents per member for the general work of this great country.

Home Missions means the whole work in all parts of this great land. There is Alaska, Cuba and Porto Rico. There are 300,000 Indians spread over sixteen States, and among forty-three tribal divisions, with sixty-three ordained ministers and thirty-seven mission stations. Besides these there are the immigrants coming to us by the million and complicating every local problem; and besides them the missionary interests of lumber camps, mining towns, new settlements, distant hamlets and needy sections all over the West. And then there are the bewildering complexities added by our modern non-religious life, with the civil, social and personal relations tainted. And besides all these, there are the special demands of the Mormon situation in the vast area of the Rocky Mountain West and the terrible situation of San Francisco.

The present condition of such a city in which there are said to be more bartenders than either Presbyterians or Methodists, is a test of our Home Missions, of our gospel, of us! It is a Waterloo, but which way shall the battle go?

We call attention to some of the actions of the General Assembly. The Sabbath preceding Thanksgiving Day was set aside for Sunday-school offerings for mission school work, and the Sabbath preceding Washington's Birthday for the work of evangelization. The work of the Woman's Board and the Department of Labor and Immigration were commended. The work among seamen and soldiers was transferred to the Board, from the Permanent Committee on that work, in the interest of unification.

The following important resolution was adopted pertaining to the reporting of Home Mission offerings of various kinds, to wit:

"That the Board of Home Missions shall include in its annual reports to the General Assembly the amounts contributed for Presbyterial and Synodical Home Mission Work, and the amounts contributed for the general work of Home Missions. The amounts contributed for Presbyterial Home Mission Work shall include what is expended by individual churches in supporting local mission work, which amounts such churches shall duly report to their respective Presbyteries. The contributions to Presbyterial and Synodical Home Mission Work shall be annually reported to the Home Mission Board by the respective Presbyteries and Synods, and that Board shall include the amounts so reported in its annual report to the General Assembly, in such form that the contributions for Presbyterial, Synodical and General Home Mission work may be stated in separate columns; and the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly shall publish a summary thereof, by Presbyteries and Synods, annually, in the minutes of the General Assembly."

It is evident that the attention of all our Presbyteries and Churches should now be called to this matter and to the need of a unified scheme.

The special matter of unified scheme was heartily commended in a separate resolution. The Assembly noted that in the missionary Synods there is a growing tendency to Presbyterial self-support on the part of the stronger Presbyteries, and that the variety and importance of Home Mission problems now pressing upon the Board and upon the Synods demand some concerted effort for their solution, and that only by some comprehensive plan can the unity and magnitude of the great Home Mission cause be impressed upon the Church. Accordingly this subject was particularly referred to the Executive Commission of the Assembly for the purpose of definitely considering it, in behalf of "greater simplicity, efficiency and unity," with directions to report thereon to the next General Assembly.

We cannot close our report without some suitable attention to the condition of our Presbyterian Churches in Tennessee that were formerly Cumberland Presbyterian. As a result of the decision against the validity of the Reunion of 1905, seventy-six of our congregations in Tennessee are without churches and eleven of our pastors have been turned out of their manses. The publishing house at Nashville and the Theological Seminary at Lebanon are also in jeopardy. The situation of our new brethren excites our deepest sympathy. There are numerous instances of heroic devotion and self-sacrifice. Yet the reports show that notwithstanding their loss of buildings, the additions in eight Synods of the Southwest were more than 8,000 on confession of faith, 800 more than in all our Home Mission territory in the whole country. Now the General Assembly asks the churches to give \$100,000 in the month of October to help them up. This is certainly the minimum.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

- I. Resolved, That the Synod notes the completion of twenty-five years of service as President of the Woman's Board of Home Missions of Mrs. Darwin R. James, so long a resident in this Synod, and tenders to her its appreciation of this long term of service, and our best wishes for her physical and spiritual comfort.
- 2. Resolved, That an offering be taken in the Sabbath-schools, on the Sabbath preceding Thanksgiving Day, for mission school work, and on the Sabbath preceding Washington's Birthday for the work of evangelization.
- 3. Resolved, That the attention of all our pastors and churches be earnestly called to the action of the General Assembly calling upon the church to provide a fund of at least \$100,000 for the purpose of assisting the Presbyterians of Tennessee in building new churches in the place of those taken away from them by reason of the legal decision in that State, and setting apart the month of October for that purpose; and Resolved, That this Synod does heartily endorse this proposal and hereby directs the Stated Clerk to send a special notice to this effect to all the pastors and sessions in the Synod.
- 4. Resolved, That we heartily recognize the good work done by the Woman's Synodical Society for Home Missions in New Jersey, as shown in their interesting report, and we approve their report and commend them for their labors.
- 5. Resolved, That the attention of the Synod and also of our Presbyteries be called to the action of the General Assembly in the matter of annually reporting to the Home Mission Board all contributions to Presbyterial and to Synodical Home Mission work by the respective Presbyteries and by Synod, and to that end that the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to forward such report for the Synod, and also that our various Presbyteries be requested to do the same by their respective Stated Clerks, and that the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to send a notice to this effect to each of our Presbyteries.
- 6. Resolved, That in harmony with the method to be pursued by the General Assembly, the contributions by the churches to the Presbyterial and general Home Mission, as well as to the Synodical Home Mission work, shall be annually reported to the Committee on Synodical Home Mission Work and to the Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund, by the respective Presbyteries, and that the said Committee and Treasurer include the amounts so reported in their annual report to the Synod, in such form as that the contributions from each church in the Synod for Presbyterial, Synodical and General Home Mission work shall appear in separate parallel columns and be annually printed in the minutes of the Synod.
- 7. Resolved, That the Synod hereby expresses its pleasure in hearing Rev. Wilson Phraner, D.D., so long an able advocate of Home Missions, and the Rev. A. W. Stevenson, of Cuba, the representative of our new Presbytery of Havana, both pleading for an extension of the work, and hereby pledges itself to renewed effort to meet what is expected of it in the allotments of the budget, and also, if possible, to go beyond its assigned share, in order that the work may be extended.

## VI.—THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY OF HOME MISSIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The work of the past year has been a repetition of former years, an increase along all lines. Not only is there a larger membership but, above all, there is a far greater number of members who attend the meetings of the Auxiliaries regularly and give public expression to their interest in missionary work.

The increase in the working interest of the members of the society is due, first, to the grace of God, second to the study of missions, whether in a regularly organized study class or at the monthly meeting, which has given a more practical knowledge of mission fields, and a personal reaching out for deeper spiritual knowledge. The breadth of the missionary interest of the women who form the society is evidenced by their gifts.

#### ORGANIZATION.

The eight Presbyterial Societies reported to the Woman's Board of Home Missions this year 245 Auxiliaries, a gain of fifteen over last year. A membership of 10,248, a gain of thirteen. Young people's societies number twenty-nine. Bands forty-five. Contributing Sunday-schools eighty-nine.

#### YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

Notwithstanding the fact that there has been no Synodical Young People's Secretary the past year, under the efficient leadership of the Presbyterial Young People's Secretaries progress has been made, interest increased and zeal stimulated in this department.

#### FREEDMEN'S WORK.

There is a steadily growing interest in this branch of the work. Much enthusiasm was aroused by Mrs. J. A. Frazer's visit to the Auxiliaries. She told of the work at Harrison College (New Jersey's Special), the benefits of the school and its needs. As she had recently visited the college, her account was that of an eye witness.

#### LITERATURE DEPARTMENT.

There are 2,515 subscribers to the "Home Mission Monthly," a gain of two over last year; 1,567 subscribers to "Over Sea and Land." Prayer Calendars to the number of 756 are in circulation.

#### THE FIELD.

New Jersey has an interest in all the work of the Woman's Board of Home Missions. Contributions are sent by different Auxiliaries to the Alaskan fields the Indians, New Mexico, the Mountain people, Porto Rico, the Mormons, Cuba, and for work among foreigners in our own State. While the interest is widespread, the new special work undertaken last year by the Synodical Society has been carefully looked after, namely, the school at Havana and the work among foreigners in Jersey City and Montclair.

As we have seen, the organization reports spiritual as well as financial progress. How this interest has grown we can learn from the messages of the Presbyterial Presidents.

#### ELIZABETH PRESBYTERY.

Has been strengthened by prayer, conference of the workers, visits to the Auxiliaries from the President. A clear understanding of the obligations of the society is gained by the Auxiliaries from a circular letter sent out by the Presbyterial President at the beginning of the year. The Mission Study Class has done much to quicken an interest in Missions. Special emphasis has been laid on the desirability of sending our money to the Treasurer and making quarterly payments.

#### JERSEY CITY PRESBYTERY.

Interest has been stimulated and zeal increased throughout this Presbytery by the visit of the Presbyterial President to the Auxiliaries. Special emphasis was laid on the necessity of regular attendance at the meetings of the Auxiliaries, also on the members acquainting themselves with the Missionary Magazine and the leaflets published by the Board. The gifts from the Society are free-will offerings taken at the regular meetings, and the thank offering at the praise service.

#### MONMOUTH PRESBYTERY.

Finds that the knowledge of Missions is a bulwark of strength, and have laid special emphasis on the study class. The Secretary made an itinerary through the Presbytery to organize and encourage the work. The gifts are free-will offerings. A Home Mission Society in every church; a growing spiritual interest is manifest.

#### MORRIS AND ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

The President, in visiting the Auxiliaries, has been impressed with the earnest prayerful spirit shown, the Auxiliaries accepting with enthusiasm the work given them to do. Plans are constantly being made and carried out for an enlarged study of Missions. A secretary is to be appointed, whose duty it shall be to visit Auxiliaries and arouse interest in such study, thus gaining strength by knowledge. A circular letter is sent out by the President each year, setting forth all the phases of the work.

#### NEWARK PRESBYTERY.

Held the largest annual meeting on its record this year. A wonderful interest was manifested throughout the day, and renewed spiritual and intellectual strength and vigor was the outcome of the gathering together of so many workers in His Name. A great effort is being made by this Presbytery toward systematic giving. Strengthening the

young people's work, that the ranks may be filled from them as the older "comrades in arms" lay down the fight, is an object always kept in sight.

#### NEW BRUNSWICK PRESBYTERIAL.

Society, by prayer and the personal appeal of its President, has been encouraged to greater effort. Special emphasis has been laid on the desirability of following a definite plan of work, as outlined by the Synodical circular letter. This assures the certainty of the contributions going through the right channels to meet the obligations we are pledged to sustain.

#### NEWTON PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY.

Through the regular meetings of its official members to consult or confer in regard to the needs of the work and the best way to advance the same, have been encouraged to greater effort. It is the purpose of this Society to organize a Home Department that through it many who cannot attend the regular meetings may have access to the missionary literature and share in the monthly program. Free-will offerings fill the treasury.

#### WEST JERSEY PRESBYTERIAL SOCIETY.

Has found that the highest ideal of service is "to enlarge our lives in the service of the Master by an enlarged vision that our land may be truly Immanuel's Land, and that our responsibility must be measured and acknowledged by our opportunity."

Emphasis has been laid on the making of quarterly payments. The result has been increased contributions.

Finance.	Home Missions.
Elizabeth,	. \$7,024 20
Jersey City,	. 2,627 60
Monmouth,	. 2,593 30
Morris and Orange,	. 6,668 72
Newark,	. 4,342 52
New Brunswick,	. 2,472 54
Newton,	1,579 52
West Jersey,	. 2,181 29

The total amount paid to the Woman's Board of Home Missions during the year, dating from March, 1908, to March, 1909, is \$29.675.88. Of this total \$2,536.42 was for Freedmen's work. This is an increase of \$1,290.52 over last year.

Summary: The keynote of the year has been service. Looking over the work, noting the increase here and there, we feel deeply moved to give thanks to God, who has cared for us the year through, giving us grace and strength to labor for Him. May the rendering of real service to the cause of our Redeemer be a joy to us the coming year.

HARRIET B. MILES, Corresponding Secretary.

# VII.—THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR HOME MISSIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The thirty-second annual meeting of the Woman's Society of Home Missions in the Synod of New Jersey, held in the First Presbyterian Church of Princeton, October 14th, 1909, which was presided over by the President, Mrs. Honeyman, was preceded by a service of prayer and praise, beginning at 9 A. M., led by Mrs. H. C. Stull. The responsive reading, "A Song of Degrees," followed, and Mrs. H. C. Olin led in prayer.

Roll-call was responded to by representatives from six Presbyteries, others arriving later.

A change in the first clause of Article VI of the Constitution was recommended by the Executive Committee and, upon motion, accepted to read as follows: The annual meeting of this Synodical Society shall be held on the second Thursday in October.

In the absence of the Freedmen's Secretary, Mrs. David Harvey, owing to serious illness in her family, the Freedmen's Report was omitted.

Committees were appointed as follows: Nominations, Mrs. V. O. Burtis, chairman; Place of Meeting, Mrs. Augustus S. Crane, chairman; Resolutions, Mrs. Delos E. Finks, chairman.

The Secretary of Literature, Mrs. Wilbur LaRoe, reported increase of subscriptions to the *Home Mission Monthly* and to *Over Sea and Land*. Mrs. LaRoe urged local Secretaries of Literature to plan to do work in a definite way during the coming year, not in a haphazard fashion, particularly as this year there is before societies the special aim of joining in the *Home Mission Monthly* plan, "The Sitka Builders." Study class-books and literature were also strongly recommended. This report was, on motion, accepted.

The report of the year's work of the Synodical Society was presented by Mrs. E. C. Miles, Corresponding Secretary. Upon motion, this report was accepted and ordered sent, with the minutes of this meeting, to the Synod of New Jersey.

The President, Mrs. Honeyman, spoke concerning the outlook for the coming year's work. In the Freedmen's Department \$2,536 was contributed during the past year, a gain of \$447, and we are asked to contribute the same amount this year, \$500 of which shall go as a special toward the new girls' dormitory at Harbison, to take the place of the one destroyed by fire.

Continuance of work formerly carried on by us calls for \$3,500 to be applied to Farm School, N. C.; Alaska; Goodwill Mission, S. D.; scholarships at Logan, Utah, and work among foreigners in New Jersey.

The special work is to be \$1,000 for Havana, Cuba, and \$1,000 for alterations and repairs for the old New Jersey building at Logan, Utah.

The total sum thus pledged for the year's work is \$5,500, which can be raised if we do not allow funds to be diverted.

In accordance with plans outlined at the last annual meeting, work among foreigners in Montclair and Jersey City has been begun, and through the coming year it is planned to make advance through adding industrial work to the religious training. The school at Havana, Cuba, and the school at Logan, Utah, are our work, and New Jersey will not need urging to care for her own.

Local societies are urged to avail themselves of the opportunity of having the special objects presented by Mrs. Frazer, of Elizabeth, who is to speak throughout the Synod during November, January and February.

From each society \$1 is asked for the Emergency Fund, as formerly, and it is requested that attention be called in the Sunday-schools to the use of the Thanksgiving program.

Again there is urged the inauguration and fostering of Study Classes, Bands, Cradle-Roll Tens, and all forms of work among young people, and we are reminded that responsibility for growth, progress, inspiration and definite advancement rests with us individually.

Mrs. Delos E. Finks, editor of the *Home Mission Monthly*, and new Vice-President of the Woman's Board from New Jersey, spoke more in full concerning the plan for the subscribers of the *Home Mission Monthly* to erect one of the buildings of the new mission plant at Sitka, Alaska, and emphasized the double good which is the aim of this project—that of information to the readers through the magazine and increased interest therefrom, as well as the good accruing to the work at Sitka.

The report of the Treasurer of the Contingent Fund, Mrs. W. D. Valentine, showed a balance on hand of \$113.17. This report was, on motion, accepted.

The report of the Young People's Societies, given by Miss Harriette R. Halloway, showed increased activities in the Presbyterials in varying lines of effort, due especially to the efficient corps of Presbyterial officers.

Mrs. Fred S. Bennett, the new President of the Woman's Board, in her address upon "Our Work in Utah," showed the present-day aspects of this difficult problem as it pertains to our work as well as to national life. Mrs. Bennett's thorough conversance with her subject and her recent trip in Utah enabled her to bring the subject before her hearers with great clearness, and her account of the new building at Logan, erected by New Jersey women, was especially appreciated.

An offering was taken, amounting to \$28.56.

An address was given by the Rev. John Douglas Adam, D.D., of the Munn Avenue Church of East Orange, also member of the Board of Home Missions, upon our national obligation and God's call that ours shall be a great spiritual nation, a copy of no other, for ours are the greatest privileges and opportunities in the world. There was the pleasant surprise of seeing our two missionaries among foreigners, Miss Consistra, of Montclair, and Miss Rogers, of Jersey City, the latter of whom spoke briefly concerning her work.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. Delos E. Finks.

Mrs. Cushing was called to the chair. The report of the Nominating Committee was presented by the chairman, Mrs. V. O. Burtis, and, upon motion, accepted, together with a resolution which read as follows:

It was with deep regret that your committee received the resignation of Mrs. E. C. Miles, of Roselle, N. J., as Corresponding Secretary, caused by her removal to another State; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we place upon record our appreciation of her ten years of faithful and devoted service in the welfare of the Home Synodical Society of New Jersey.

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to cast an affirmative ballot for the officers nominated:

President—Mrs. W. E. Honeyman, Plainfield.

Vice-Presidents-Mrs. J. H. OWENS, Paterson.

MRS. HARVEY C. OLIN, East Orange.

Mrs. John Hutchison, Arlington.

MRS. E. B. ENGLAND, Asbury.

MRS. H. C. STULL, Trenton.

MRS. H. D. ZANDT, Jamesburg.

Mrs. M. J. Paulding, Daretown.

Mrs. A. S. Crane, Elizabeth.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. E. W. WILLIAMS, Plainfield.

Recording Secretary—Miss Theodora Finks, East Orange.

Secretary of Literature—Mrs. Wilbur La Roe, Perth Amboy.

Secretary of Young People's Work-Miss Anna M. Woodward, Newton.

Secretary for Freedmen-Mrs. Geo. Macloskie, Princeton.

Treasurer Contingent Fund-Mrs. Daniel W. Valentine, Englewood.

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved.

Announcements and words of greeting were given by the pastor of the church, Rev. Sylvester W. Beach.

Resolutions were presented as follows:

Your Committee on Resolutions desires to record grateful acknowledgment of the auspicious circumstances which have attended this annual gathering of the Woman's Synodical Societies of Home and Foreign Missions in this attractive and historical community of Princeton; therefore

Resolved, That we extend to our hostesses and to all those who have ministered to our comfort and pleasure appreciative thanks for the careful attention which has made our sojourn here one specially marked by Christian fellowship and our gratification that all things have conduced to make the occasion memorable both for its profit and enjoyment.

Resolved, That we recognize the efficient service of the presidents and associated officers who have given unreservedly of their thought and time and labor to the work of the organizations; that we express our appreciation of the faithfulness of retiring officers who have found it necessary to lay down the work which they have so well performed, and that we extend to the new officers our cordial greeting and assurance of hearty co-operation.

Resolved, That we express our appreciation of the messages brought to us by the speakers of the day; of the comprehensive outlook over the fields of work at home and abroad; of the personal touch with our workers in seeing their faces and hearing their practical, inspiring suggestions. We thank the pastor of this church for his hearty greeting, and would, with gratitude, remember the stimulus given to us as Christian workers by Dr. Adam, learning new surrender of our lives to the will of Christ and a new sense of the power of God, which shall be our strength for service.

The Committee on Place of Meeting reported an invitation to meet in the Second Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth, in October, 1910, which was, on motion, accepted.

THEODORA FINKS,

Recording Secretary.

### VIII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON FOR-EIGN MISSIONS.

The past year was one of the very best years in the history of the Board of Foreign Missions. The numerical results were large, 14,409 members having been added to the church, an increase of more than 4,000 over the preceding year. The spiritual results were never more satisfactory. In many parts of the field there were special religious awakenings, notably in India, Africa and the Philippines, which it is hoped and believed presaged wide-spreading revivals. All the indications point to richer blessings and still greater results both of a numerical and spiritual kind during the present year.

Our attention has been called, in the recent bulletin issued by the Board, to the challenge which the native church throws down to the church at home. It is a remarkable record which the native church has made, constituting a powerful challenge to us to rise up and meet the earnestness, the self-denial and self-sacrifice which our brethren in foreign lands have displayed by new manifestations of our loyalty to this great and ever-expanding work. The gift of money is a good test of a man's interest in Foreign Missions, as well as of his interest in any other cause. If he gives according to his ability to Foreign Missions we may safely conclude that Foreign Missions has a large place in his faith and his love. Think, then, of the devotion to this work that is exhibited by the native Christians, whose gifts amounted last year to almost \$350,000, which in this country would amount to more than two million dollars when we compare the average wages received in foreign lands and in the United States. We do not expect much from Africa in the way of money. We know that the people are poor, and the wages small. We think, also, that they are lazy and shiftless, and yet the contributions from our West Africa Mission amounted last year to nearly \$6,000. There is not a single church in the Western Africa Presbytery that is not self-supporting. Turn to Korea. Our work in Korea is just twenty-five years old. Many of the Christians now in Korea have been but a short time out of heathenism. And vet the gifts of the Christians in Korea last year were \$77,000, which, by a fair comparison of wages, would mean something like a half million in this country. What a mightly challenge these material gifts of the native Christians make to us here at home! For it is literally true, as it was in the churches of Macedonia, in the days of old, that the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty have abounded unto the riches of their liberality; they have given of their own accord, according to their power, yea, and beyond their power.

Think, also, of the challenge which the self-sacrificing service of the native Christians makes to us. Though there was an increase of more than 4,000 in the additions to the Church, the working force of Foreign Missionaries was not as large as it was the preceding year.

It can be readily seen, therefore, that the people themselves have done much of the evangelistic work. There are many instances of the fidelity of the native Christians in preaching the Gospel, in speaking to their friends about Christ, and of the blessed results that have attended their evangelistic zeal. In several places in the Philippines large ingatherings are directly traceable to the labors of the native Christians. In Korea the greater portion of the time of the missionary is taken up with the instruction of the Christians. The converted Koreans must get the Gospel to their unsaved friends, and their fidelity is attested by the fact that 5,400 persons were admitted to the Church last year, and 8,000 were enrolled in catechetical classes. In Africa, though the additions to the Church were not so large as in other fields, vet astonishingly large numbers have attended the services. At Elat four years ago the average attendance at church on Sunday was below 800. Blessed is the man in this Synod who has 800 in his church on Sunday! And vet on the first Sunday of March of this year there were 2,183 at church at Elat, while in attendance at Sunday-school on the same day there were 1,855. But four months after, on the first Sunday of July, there were present at church at Elat 3,500, while at Batanga, Lolodorf and Elat there was an aggregate attendance on that day of 6,400. Now, we know to a certainty that these crowds of people have been gathered largely through the influence and efforts of the African Christians. The power of the Gospel has broken through the crust of their indolence and inertia and thrilled them with the energy of the life eternal. How the consecration of these people so lately made aware of the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, and their eagerness of desire for the salvation of their friends and neighbors, put us to shame in our self-satisfaction and carelessness concerning the unsaved! A group of school boys spent their last vacation in going about among non-Christian villages telling what they knew of the Gospel, and in this way reached 58,000 persons, most of whom had never before heard of Christ.

Let me quote a paragraph from the Bulletin, which has to do with one of our newest stations—Chai Ryong, in Korea—and which gives us, as well as mere words can, a conception of the devotion and evangelistic fervor of the native Christians: "At Chai Ryong, which is sixteen miles from the railroad, in the cold of winter, 916 were enrolled in the Bible class. There are no hotels; the Bible students were crowded in private homes. Early in the evening the crowds in increasing numbers packed the dimly-lighted building until it seemed there was not room for the knees, which, unfortunately, could not be left at the doors as the shoes were. Most of the teaching was done by Korean leaders. Their prayers and addresses showed wonderful spiritual force. A jet black map containing a few white spots made plain the problem how their district was to be evangelized. These thousand men were impressed that it was their duty to make more white spots."

This is the challenge which the native Church is giving us, the loud, clear call that it sounds out to us. How are we in this Synod meeting

this challenge? How are we answering this call? It cannot be said that we have done our best, but it is evident that we have not been unmindful of our duty in this most important matter. We have made a generous response to this challenge of the native Church. We have made a steady gain in our contributions to the work of this Board for the past four years. Not including the receipts from the Women's Boards, the gifts of the churches in this Synod in 1906 were \$57,750; in 1907 were \$64,524; in 1908 were \$72,451; in 1909 were \$74,454. Our gifts per capita were the largest among the Synods, being slightly in advance of those of the Synod of New York. Last year we had second place in the per capita gift of our Sunday-schools, the Synod of Baltimore being first. This year we have first place, being considerably in advance of any other Synod in our per capita gift from the Sundayschools. The total amount of the contributions from the Sundayschools is \$9,032, being a gain over last year; 169 of our schools made contributions, a gain of 11 over last year, but there are still 197 Sunday-schools in this Synod that make no contribution to our Foreign Board. We need more instruction in our Sunday-schools in Foreign Missions, and an opportunity should be given in each school for the making of an offering.

Three or four years ago an itinerary covering the entire Synod, and reaching, so far as possible, all the churches, was arranged for. This itinerary was concluded during the past year. It is believed that it has been productive of great good; that churches have been stirred up to realize their world-wide missionary obligation as never before, and that in many parts of the Synod a new call to prayer and giving has been heard and heeded.

The Leaders' Conference of the Eastern District was held this year at Mt. Gretna, Pa. Helpful addresses were made by missionaries fresh from the field, study classes were conducted, practical difficulties were presented and methods of solution were suggested. This Conference of Leaders deserves a more representative attendance than it has hitherto had, and the attention of churches and Presbyteries is hereby called to it that in the future more delegates may be sent. Attention is also called to the Laymen's Missionary Movement, concerning which circulars have doubtless been received by all our pastors. This great movement to which many representative laymen have pledged their support is only another evidence of the new and profound interest which the laymen were taking in world-evangelization, for which we should not cease to be grateful to God.

At the thirty-second annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of this Synod, held in Princeton, October 14th, there were encouraging reports of increased contributions and membership. We can readily see what an important part our women take in this work of spreading abroad the knowledge of the truth as it is in Christ among the unevangelized of the nations when we note the fact that last year they gave \$34,569.91 to Foreign Missions, and still more

valuable are their unceasing prayers for this work, which rise to God like a sweet-smelling savor.

In concluding this report, your Committee desires to submit the following recommendations for adoption:

- r. That we pledege anew our loyalty to the interests and the work of the Board, and strive earnestly, by information and definite plans of systematic giving, to realize the expectations of the General Assembly and the Board.
- 2. That we receive with gratitude the continued, most earnest and most successful efforts of the women of our churches in this Synod to assist in carrying on the work of the Board, and that there be printed for their use 200 copies of this report.
- 3. That the non-contributing churches and Sunday-schools be urged to make an offering, however small, this year.
- 4. That so far as possible we co-operate with the Laymen's Missionary Movement, and make an effort to attend the conference in Philadelphia, and any conferences which may be held in the bounds of this Synod.

JOHN F. PATTERSON,

Chairman.

## IX.—THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS IN THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

Of the eight Presbyterial societies forming our Synodical, five were formed more than a generation ago. Only those of us who are gathering the crown of grey hairs can recall those early days of organization. It was a new step for quiet Presbyterian women to take, and it was taken in a spirit of humble faith and self-denying love. Many a godly pastor looked grave, and wondered how he could move the pins that marked the points in his theology far enough to compass female societies with ecclesiastical titles. But the blessing at home and abroad that has followed cannot be represented by figures, though we count our members by thousands, and our dollars by tens of thousands.

There is little that is new to bring before you. The figures change somewhat like a quiet tide, ebbing here, flowing there. One auxiliary loses members, another increases. One society doubles its contributions, another falls behind. A parish abroad has been added to a church, and older obligations are forgotten by some of the women. The *net* result is a few more auxiliaries, larger membership, and increased gifts—all gained by the same persistent efforts as of old. But the goal is not yet reached. In no Presbytery is there an auxiliary in every church, and each woman a member in her society.

Union beyond organization seems now in the air. Neighboring auxiliaries meet together, societies of neighboring churches and other denominations fraternize in Christian fellowship. A new office has been formed in one society, that of reporter of the Woman's Board meetings in New York.

The optimism with which America is credited, by those who visit us from the Old World, is a marked feature of the eight reports. Though in one Presbytery we are made to face some failures, there is no note of discouragement in the view; only incentive for greater zeal.

The record of the year is as follows:

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Jersey City, 39	24	1,034	2,841 00	\$2 02	
Monmouth, 48	3 32	787	2,666 80	455 41	
Morris and Orange, . 44	39	2,776	8,504 00	300 25	
Newark, 39	27	1,733	5,924 25	187 50	
New Brunswick, 38	35	1,719	5,279 80	1,242 21	
Newton, 36	5 25	812	1,535 98		51 45
West Jersey, 65	39	1,199	1,965 98		371 49
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Totals, .......342 247 12,093 \$34,569 91 \$2,187 39 \$1,714 27 MRS. WALTER CONDICT, Sr.,

Corresponding Secretary.

### IXa.—REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK.

The figures are as follows:

PRESBYTERY.	Young Woman's.	Members.	Bands.	Members.	Christlan Endeavor.	Members.	Juniors.	Members.	Study Classes.	Normal S. C.	Intermediate.
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Total,	45	1140	83	1684	201	4599	69	1713	75	1	2

In bringing this report to-day I feel like a mother with eight beautiful daughters to present.

Elizabeth is an industrious daughter. She tells of gain along all lines. She has graduated a band into a Young Woman's Society. She is also planning good work in study classes for the coming year.

Jersey City is a daughter worthy of praise. She tells of study classes, missionary libraries; all her efforts aided by an increased spiritual interest. She also tells us of her need, "more leaders." Juniors are eager to attend the meetings, but no one to lead them! One discouraged Society has found a leader, and has given the largest amount among the Juniors.

Sister Monmouth, we might name our conscientious daughter, so carefully has she distinguished in C. E.'s and Juniors between those who are members and those members who give to Foreign Missions.

It is true in one C. E. but two members out of twenty contribute. In many Societies there is a better proportion of givers, and in a goodly number all show their interest by their gifts. Here, too, there are Study Classes in C. E.'s and in Bands.

Daughter New Brunswick comes with gain in numbers and in contributions. There will be further gain when leaders are found to direct the efforts of all the children and youth.

Sister Newton brings a full tale of societies, Young Women's, C. E.'s, Juniors, Bands and Study Classes. Out of the twenty-one C. E.'s, eighteen contribute to the salary of their missionary, Rev. John N. Forman.

West Jersey is a loyal daughter, full of good works. "Better work than last year" heads her report. The last word is of "A band of four at Bunker Hill, who do valiantly." Just the word we would expect at Bunker Hill wherever located and whatever the task.

Our daughters Morris and Orange and Newark, are eminently sisters of one blood. Now, when ancestry is fashionable, without trying to establish an aristocracy of missions, founded on lineage, it is well to take a look back.

We are apt to think of the grandmother Lois and mother Eunice as always having been quaint old ladies in cap and kerchief, sitting beside the spinning-wheel, distaff in hand. But we find instead they were young ladies in those days and like ourselves had to grow old and become grandmothers in the course of time.

It was in the year 1814, in Bottle Hill (Madison), that the young ladies met to sew for the needy ones in their village and countryside. In 1833 they heard the call from afar and joined in the prayer for open doors in heathen lands.

They had limitations and obstacles quite forgotten in our time. Wives and daughters were not then supposed to need an allowance, but with womanly resourcefulness they found the means to an end. Best patties of butter were put in the foreign missionary jar, and we know of a consecrated hen that laid eggs with a zeal worthy of the cause. Such as these were the perquisites of the farm and dairy, others came from the spinning-wheel and hand-loom that enabled our grandmothers to contribute with fathers and brothers to the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.

So, too, in Newark there were young ladies whose hearts the Lord had touched. These were the first women in our country to see the wisdom and strength of organization.

Seventy-four years ago, in 1835, the first Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was born. The babe proved to be no weakling, for in 1836 there were 177 members, and the gifts were \$366, more than two dollars a member. This money passed to that same American Board till that great year of organization, 1872.

It would be wrong to close the story of these older daughters as though they had no distinctive work in this day.

Morris and Orange tells of C. E.'s active and growing, of books and libraries, study classes and Juniors, of "good time" meetings and bands of girls and boys.

Steadfast might be the motto of Newark. As an organized society Syria was her field, and is still her first love. Her horizon has widened till her gifts go far and wide, over continents and to the islands of the seas. If she shows any sign of age, it is in wise methods and steadfastness of purpose. To her study classes she has added a Normal Study Class, taking representatives from many churches into it to prepare them for leadership. Very vigorous are her many activities.

Mothers, I have brought to you these daughters that you may realize that they are not mine, but ours. These Young People Daughters need our care, our oversight, our experience and our love.

While grandmother Lois and mother Eunice had cares and excuses if they chose to hide behind them, the granddaughters have much more to distract and win them away from work that often looks to them prosaic and far away. Our mothers prayed for open doors in heathen lands, we need to pray for open hearts that our gifted daughters may see Jesus and hear His voice of love calling them to partnership in His divine service. Then it may be said of us, "Instead of the fathers shall be thy children, whom thou mayest make princes in all the earth."

MRS. WALTER CONDICT, SR.

## X.—THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S SYNODICAL SOCIETY OF FOREIGN MISSIONS OF THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

The thirty-second annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Synod of New Jersey was held on Thursday, October 14th, in the First Presbyterian Church at Princeton.

The meeting was opened at 1:30 P. M., the President, Mrs. Cushing, presiding. After the opening hymn, the Scripture lesson was read from Luke IX.

Because of the continued vacancy in the office of the secretaryship of Young People's Work, the annual report for that department as well as for the auxiliary societies was given by Mrs. Condict.

The reports recorded larger contributions and increased membership. A new feature was noted in the coöperation among various denominations.

The report of the Secretary of Literature was given by Mrs. Coddington. It reported a loss in the number of subscriptions to "Over Sea and Land," also to "Women's Work"; an increase in the sale of Year Books.

Miss Van Meter, reporting for the Contingent Fund, showed a balance on hand of \$98.54. This report was accepted with thanks. The collection amounted to \$32.41.

The President presented the recommendation of the Executive Committee in regard to the surplus in the Contingent Fund; *i. e.*, that the fund be divided—one-half to be sent to the New York Board to help provide a new home for Mr. and Mrs. Silsbee in Shanghai; the other half to be sent to the Philadelphia Board for the General Fund. On motion, this recommendation was accepted and the funds so distributed.

"The Model Mission Study Class, Elements of Its Success," was the subject of Miss Halloway's address. She stated the requisites to be: An organizer, a leader, a class, a text-book, stated time and place of meeting, and last, but not least, prayer in and out of the class by leader and class members.

Mrs. D. C. Wiber, Secretary of Young People's Work for the Synod of Baltimore, spoke to the meeting on "A Call to the Young." Her appeal was to the young, educated and enthusiastic young women in our churches, that they give their ability and energy to the Lord's service. Those with patience, prayerfulness, tact and love for the whole world wanted. Those without humor, sympathy and time need not apply.

Miss Emma Morris, supported by the Presbyterial Society of Elizabeth, contrasted our privileges in education with those of Christians in India. She pictured India of to-day as radiant with promise; with the forces of religion, education, ambition, the sense of self-consciousness,

of oneness between high and low-caste Christians, of church union—all working together for the uplift of India as a nation.

Dr. Funk, of Hamadan, Persia, spoke of the recent changes in Persia and their effect on mission work. So far the supremacy of the National party and the introduction of the constitution has worked for greater freedom in preaching the word, and will aid in the opening of the country to Christian influences.

He spoke also of his own hospital work, of the need for a woman physician to fill the place left vacant by the marriage of Dr. Field, and of the competent native physicians which are being trained in the hospital.

Mrs. Honeyman occupied the chair while the report of the Nominating Committee was given by Mrs. McLanahan and Mrs. Olin. The report was accepted and its recommendations adopted.

The officers as elected for the year 1909-1910 are as follows:

President-Mrs. G. W. B. Cushing, East Orange.

ELIZABETH PRESBYTERY.

Vice-Presidents—Mrs. J. T. Kerr, Elizabeth. Mrs. W. P. Stevenson, Roselle.

JERSEY CITY PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. William Nelson, Paterson. Miss Caroline S. Pudney, Passaic.

MONMOUTH PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. Ella Stults, Cranbury. Mrs. G. D. MacIlvaine, Beverly.

MORRIS AND ORANGE PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. H. C. Olin, East Orange. Miss K. Storrs, Orange.

NEWARK PRESBYTERY.

Miss A. M. Carter, Newark. Mrs. W. J. Rusling, Newark.

NEW BRUNSWICK PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. William Libbey, Princeton. Mrs. Walter P. Harris, Princeton.

NEWTON PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. E. B. England, Asbury. Mrs. W. R. Scranton, Belvidere.

WEST JERSEY PRESBYTERY.

Mrs. J. F. Collier, Woodstown. Mrs. R. H. Gage, Wenonah. Recording Secretary—Mary Roberts Tooker, East Orange.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Walter Condict, Madison.

Treasurer of Contingent Fund—Miss Harriet Van Meter, Salem.

Secretary of Literature—Mrs. S. McLanahan, Lawrenceville.

Secretary of Young People's Work—Miss May Stelle, Lawrenceville.

Secretary of Mission Study Classes—Miss Harriet H. Halloway, Plainfield.

The report of the Committee on Place of Meeting was read, and the invitation extended to the Synodical Society by the Presbytery of Elizabeth to hold the meeting in October, 1919, in that place, was accepted.

The following resolutions were presented by the Committee on Resolutions:

Your Committee on Resolutions desires to record grateful acknowledgment of the auspicious circumstances which have attended this annual gathering of the Woman's Synodical Societies of Home and Foreign Missions in this attractive and historical community of Princeton; therefore,

Resolved, That we extend to our hostesses, and to all those who have ministered to our comfort and pleasure, appreciative thanks for the careful attention which has made our sojourn here one specially marked by Christian fellowship, and our gratification that all things have conduced to make the occasion memorable both for its profit and enjoyment.

Resolved, That we recognize the efficient service of the presidents and associated officers who have given unreservedly of their thought and time and labor to the work of the organizations; that we express our appreciation of the faithfulness of retiring officers who have found it necessary to lay down the work which they have so well performed; and that we extend to the new officers our cordial greeting and assurance of hearty co-operation.

Resolved, That we express our appreciation of the messages brought to us by the speakers of the day; of the comprehensive outlook over the fields of work at home and abroad; of the personal touch with our workers, in seeing their faces and hearing their practical, inspiring suggestions. We thank the pastor of this church for his hearty greeting, and would with gratitude remember the stimulus given to us as Christian workers by Dr. Adam, learning new surrender of our lives to the will of Christ and a new sense of the power of God, which shall be our strength for service.

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved.

Miss Lucy Laney, having arrived too late to speak at the meeting of Home Missions in the morning, was invited to tell of her work at the close of the meeting on Foreign Missions. In strong, forceful language, she told of the need of schools among the negroes of the south, and of the good that her school is accomplishing for the State of South Carolina.

The meeting closed with the benediction pronounced by the Pastor.

MARY ROBERTS TOOKER,

Recording Secretary.

## XI.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SAB-BATH-SCHOOL WORK.

It is again our pleasant duty to report substantial gains in nearly all departments of the work, except that of benevolence. The reports show a clear net gain over last year of 16 schools, 2,383 teachers and scholars, of 5,534 in the average attendance, 515 in Cradle Roll enrollment, 709 in the Home Department, while 1,147 more than last year are reported as members of the church, and 131 more than the previous year have been added to the Church. Of the 4,012 persons added to the Church, on examination, 2,193 have come into the Church through the door of the Sunday-school.

Substantial gains have been made by the Presbyteries of Jersey City, Havana, Newark, Morris and Orange and New Brunswick in the order given. The Presbytery of Jersey City, not counted in the Honor Roll last year, now rises to first place.

Statistics.—We report to-day 475 schools, with 8,665 officers and teachers and 70,387 scholars, a gain of 2,367, with an average attendance of 49,375. During the year 1,084 teachers and scholars have been brought in. The infant members of the Cradle Roll number 4,994, the Home Department 10,368, and 592 are enrolled in teacher-training classes.

A new and most important feature of our work is reported for the first time, viz., the formation of organized adult classes. The total enrollment in these classes is 3,279. We venture to predict that here is the long-sought "missing link" between the Sunday-school and the Church, and the solution of the perplexing question, "How to retain our older boys and girls in the Sunday-school." The Presbytery of West Jersey leads in the number enrolled, and is followed by Newark, Jersey City, Elizabeth, New Brunswick, Newton and Morris and Orange. 16,023 of the members of our schools are members of our churches, 2,193 have been received into the Church from the schools during the year. Our schools, in increasing numbers, are using the "Westminster Lesson Helps." There is also a gain in the number of schools reporting the shorter catechism taught. The systematic study of Missions makes but very slow progress in the school thus far.

Benevolences.—Our benevolences show a considerable falling off from last year, which was our banner year, when we gave almost \$10,000 more than the previous year. This is doubtless caused, at least in part, by the adverse conditions of the past year. To the Board of Publication and Sabbath-school Work the schools contributed \$4,810, or \$1,899 less than last year. To the other Boards of the Church, \$19,388, which is \$3,912 less. To support of the schools, \$42,813, or \$6,624 less. The miscellaneous gifts were \$16,764, a gain of \$807. The total amount raised by the schools for all purposes is \$83,725.

Mission Work.—The Mission work of the Board has been carried on with vigor and industry in every State and Territory of the Union; 161 missionaries and colporteurs have labored within the bounds of 127 Presbyteries and 34 Synods. They have organized 781 new Sabbath-schools and revived 248—a total of 1,029. Into these schools have been gathered 38,152 pupils. They have also aided and encouraged 2,725 other Mission Sunday-schools, which are under their care. The membership of these schools is 119,531. These missionaries have also conducted 616 institutes and conventions, visited 111,607 families, held 5,529 evangelistic services, in which 3,600 conversions came under their observation. A very important part of the work of these missionaries and colporteurs is the distribution by sale and gift of evangelical literature. In this work they have sold or given away 16,486 volumes and 1,731,384 pages of religious tracts and periodicals, and 16,189 Bibles and Testaments. 113 churches have been developed during the past year from their labor, 92 of which are Presbyterian. 78 churches and chapels have been erected at a cost of \$151,775, a worthy asset of a great and growing Church, and when we remember that for the past twenty-two years there has been an average of 81 churches built each year, it is no wonder that this Western land is being taken and held for Christ.

In past years the efforts of the Board have been mainly directed along missionary lines and for the establishing of Mission schools, but the work of the Sunday-school is of such constantly growing importance that increased attention has been paid by the Board during the past year to the work of Sunday-school improvement, and an aggressive educational campaign has been entered upon.

Important action was taken by the General Assembly of 1909, relative to the work of the Church for the youth in its Sunday-schools and young people's societies.

The educational work among children and youth is committed wholly to the Board of Publication and Sabbath-School Work. The Boards of Home and Foreign Missions and of Sabbath-School Work are directed, so far as possible, to unify the agencies of our Church that are dealing with the young.

The Assembly also recommends "that the Board enlarge and extend the educational features of its work as rapidly as its funds permit, looking to the perfecting of the work done in all the schools, and advises the appointment of educational superintendents who shall be Sabbath-school experts in as large areas as can be successfully covered." The Board, realizing the extent of the work and the large sphere of usefulness which it must occupy in the church's life, have deemed it expedient to appoint a Superintendent of Educational Sunday-School Work. Within the bounds of our own State and Synod the right man has been found, and the Board has very recently appointed the Rev. E. Morris Fergusson, of the Presbytery of Newark, to this position. We of the Synod of New Jersey know the man and his work for many years past as the General Secretary of the New Jersey Sunday-School Association. The Board is to be congratu-

lated on securing Mr. Fergusson to lead in its campaign of improvement.

In accordance with the direction of the last General Assembly that the Sunday-school Departments of the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions and of the Board of Publication and Sabbath-School Work should work in closer relations, a letter has been sent to all the Presbyterial Committees on Sunday-school Work, outlining a plan of mutual co-operation and urging such Committees to hold, at the earliest possible date, a joint meeting where they shall plan to do their utmost to improve the Sunday-school work of the Presbytery along the lines of teacher-training, organized Bible classes, systematic study of missions, the promotion of the spiritual life and the greater efficiency of our Sunday-school work.

Your Committee would call particular attention to the Board's new lesson help for adult Bible classes, "The Westminster Adult Bible Class;" to the new weekly paper for boys and girls, "The Comrade," and the new graded lessons for the elementary departments of the Sunday-school; also to the new text-book for teacher-training classes, entitled "Preparation for Teaching," which has been highly endorsed by the leading Sunday-school workers.

Your Committee would suggest to the Presbyterial Committees on Sabbath-School Work the desirability of holding a Sunday-school institute at the Stated Meetings of Presbytery wherever possible.

We would also ask respectfully that Synod's Committee of Arrangements for its next stated meeting be asked to take into consideration the practicability of holding a Synodical Sunday-school Institute, perhaps to precede the opening session of Synod. In many Synods such Institutes are held each year, and they have proved exceedingly helpful.

Your Committee would suggest the following recommendations for adoption:

- r. That in view of the increasing and many-sided work of the Board, we recommend that our churches and Sunday-schools make liberal offerings on Children's Day for the work of Sunday-school Missions, and that on Rally Day an offering be made for the work among our foreign citizens.
- 2. That our Presbyterial Sunday-school committees be asked to call a meeting at an early day, to take into consideration the plan of cooperation suggested by the General Assembly, and the general improvement of our Sunday-school work along the lines of teacher-training, systematic study of missions and organized adult classes.
- 3. That our Presbyteries, in the appointment of Committees on Sabbath-school Work, be urged to make an effort to place upon these committees men who are known as efficient Sunday-school workers, and that, so far as possible, laymen known as leaders in this work be sought.
- 4. That our pastors and superintendents be urged to use the lesson helps and illustrated papers issued by our own Board, in view of their acknowledged high character; also because it shows loyalty to the

Church, and because two-thirds of the profits of the business department are given to the missionary work of the Board.

5. That the attention of pastors and superintendents be called to the new International Graded Sunday-school Lessons, "The Westminster Adult Bible Class," and the new text-book, "Preparation for Teaching."

HENRY C. CRONIN,

Chairman.

# XII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

Your Committee on Young People's Societies is glad to report that returns have been received this year from all of the Presbyteries. This does not indicate, however, that the figures are complete for all the churches of Synod. On the contrary, they will usually be very incomplete. Last year we registered a definite complaint that pastors and sessions did not give this matter due attention. We would call attention to it again, and respectfully urge that there is no use in having a report of our church activities if it is not going to be measurably accurate. Last year we reported 590 societies, with a membership of 19,000. This year we report only 518, a loss of about 70, and a membership of 18,300, a loss of 700 young people. And yet no Presbytery reports a total loss, and Jersey City reports a gain of 545. But taking the apparent decrease in membership, there is an increase in total gifts—\$29,700 last year and \$37,284 this year. Put into a compact schedule, the figures given us are as follows:

PRESBYTERY.	Dilzabeth, Joresy City, Monmouth, Morris and Orange, Newark, New Brunswick, New Brunswick, Newton,	Totals for Synod,
Number of Societies.	75 70 70 70 86 41 41 41 52	21.8
Total Membership.	1,572 2,642 2,120 2,968 3,489 2,275 1,357 1,932	18,355
Total Gain Over Last Year.	201 545 241 126 331 306 121 240	2114
Number Added on Examination.	69 103 44 45 75 153 65	667
Total to Home Missions.	\$480 00 585 82 635 73 1,761 16 1,506 77 595 00 4412 90 4411 35	\$6,418 73
Total to Foreign Missions.	\$1,554 42 516 75 491 71 1,397 47 755 58 896 00 291 44 497 13	\$6,400.50
Total to Dept. Y. P. W.	\$17 36 86 50 89 50 29 76 73 25 129 50 82 00 40 57 55 45	\$484 39
Total to Other Church Boards.	\$35 00 34 50 20 00 234 00 60 00 5 00 177 21 54 50	\$620 21
Total to Local Church and Self-Support.	\$859 85 2,654 61 1,637 97 2,166 47 2,308 57 1,142 00 1,003 65 1,706 60	\$13,479 72
Total to Other Benevolent Objects.	\$577 50 380 42 100 45 1,403 28 1,416 20 57 00 57 90	\$4.241 36
Grand Total Ciffs.	\$3,453 39 4,125 15 8,739 37 7,045 63 6,190 62 2,859 00 1,982 76	\$37,284 53
Number of Societies Using Individ. Reading Course.	0 0 0 0 0 0 0	9
Number of Societies Having Study Classes.	11 0 2 6 0 11	85
Number of Societies Using Supplemental Lessons.	00000000	10

As to the types of societies reported, 198 are Senior C. E. Societies, 17 are of a similar character, but do not bear that name, 26 are Intermediate C. E. Societies, 104 are Junior C. E. Societies, 68 are Mission Bands, 40 are Boys' Societies and Clubs, and there is a miscellaneous group of 66.

Regarding these miscellaneous organizations, there are one or two things we would suggest. The first is the formation in every church of a Circle of King's Daughters among the girls and young women. The work sets the young women at that practical helpfulness outside the Church which is so much in demand just now. Another thing we commend is the formation of Go-to-Church Bands among the children. These have none of the objectionable features of the so-called Junior Church. Still another thing we wish to say is that Ushers' Unions properly belong under the head of Brotherhoods, and not Young People's Societies. We believe that the Committee of Brotherhoods ought to receive their reports, and not this Committee.

Your Committee believe that it is pertinent in a report on the progress of this work in the Synod to call your attention to the gratifying increase in the attention which is being given to it in the General Assembly and throughout the Church. We ought specially to consider that part of the report of the Committee on Administrative Agencies which relates to Young People's Work. (See the Minutes of the Assembly, pp. 230–234, 238, 239.)

These words of the Assembly's Committee are well said, and we believe that we all need to be aroused to the appreciation of the unequaled opportunity which the Church has in the training of the youth, and the great need there is that it be done more definitely and effectively. While our societies are doing quite well in numbers and gifts, most pastors to-day would admit that the ignorance of the average member of these societies in Bible doctrine and church government and history is alarming. We believe there is visible a little improvement in this line already since the organization of the new department of Young People's Work. The number of societies that have adopted some kind of study course is greater than last year. But it is not yet the serious business that it should be. Our pastors and sessions ought to be in touch with Secretary Gelston and labor patiently and earnestly to get their young people at work and interested in some course of study that will enable them to be more useful Christians, both in the Church and out of it. There is nothing, not even evangelism, that can compare in importance with the holding and training of our young people in Sunday-school and Society. Our troubles are due to the fact that "the world has come in like a flood," and it is hard to save and hold the young. The Church has not a plainer task, then, than to meet that situation, and labor with all her wisdom and power for the nourishment and guidance of her own children by every known and legitimate means.

In conclusion, we offer the following resolutions for your adoption:

I. That with a view to helping pastors and Sessions toward the ful-

fillment of their duty in the instruction of their young people in matters pertaining to the Presbyterian Church, we commend the use of the little book, "Ten Minute Supplemental Lessons in Church History," by E. T. Lee.

- 2. That pastors, Sessions and the Young People of this Synod be recommended to observe Young People's Day, February 6th, 1910, and in accordance with the recommendation of the last General Assembly, make a contribution on that day to the work of the Young People's Department.
- 3. That the attention of pastors and Sessions and young people in this Synod be called to the Summer Conferences which are being held annually by our Department of Young People's Work, and that they send delegates whenever possible.

FRANK LUKENS,

Chairman.

# XIII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON SAB-BATH OBSERVANCE.

As to the observance of the Sabbath, there are many signs of the dawning of a brighter and holier day. Throughout the State, during the past year, issues have been raised. Many victories have been won. Many anti-Sabbath bills were introduced at the last session of the Legislature. It is a matter of devout thanksgiving that all failed to become laws. The bill to permit Sunday baseball passed the Assembly, but failed in the Senate. The final vote was not taken, because the friends of the bill could not find enough Senators to vote for it. A hearing was granted with reference to other Sunday bills when an opportunity to speak was granted to both sides. Strong protest was made by your chairman in the name of the Synod of New Jersey.

The maintenance of the sanctity of the Sabbath is an issue apart from every other one. Accordingly, the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States has been formed with this one object. Auxiliaries are being formed in all the States. New Jersey has her Lord's Day Alliance. It will be two years old January 27th, 1910. Two of its leading officers are Presbyterians and fourteen of the twenty-one county vice-presidents are of the same denomination. Presbyterians have always had a prominent place in this aggressive work. The Lord's Day Alliance of New Jersey has made good and proved its right to live. When conditions were serious during the last session of the Legislature appeals were sent throughout the State by the Alliance asking pastors to urge their congregations to take a formal vote of protest and forward the record to Trenton. So generous was the response that it took over an hour one day to read merely the substance of these protests before the Assembly. Many other protests came on other days. State officials heard clearly from their constituency.

This Alliance has been active during the past year in forming auxiliaries in the various counties. At present nine are organized. In three other counties Inter-church Federations prefer to become responsible for the right use of the sacred day. An illustration of what can be done by a county Lord's Day Alliance, and that in the midst of the most adverse conditions, is the noble work of the Lord's Day Alliance of Atlantic county, which was organized April 30th, last. Appreciating the fact that Atlantic City is our host to-day we would gladly refrain from any mention of the distressing conditions that prevail here. But the lawless here are not our host. We extend our sympathy and promise every possible assistance to the heroes of the faith in Atlantic City in the fight which they have undertaken, and which they have pledged to maintain till the victory is won for Jesus Christ.

By the events of the past summer the plain question of obedience to law has been raised. And now the law-abiding in the State, as well as in Atlantic county, cannot but take up the matter and lay hold till it is laid down right. The words of Lincoln again apply, "We cannot remain half slave and half free."

Why be specific about the particular act, whether it be Sunday liquorselling, baseball, amusements of other kinds, unnecessary traveling, social functions, or wilfully staying home from church. The larger and major question is, can, and will we, or any particular portion of the State, openly and continuously violate the law of God or the State? When will the people speak and obtain their rights? Where is the Gideon? Where, but the church of the Lord Jesus Christ in New Jersey? Our State, our problem and God's victory.

We must be up and doing. Last March this Committee sent to each minister in the Synod, as per your instructions (Minutes 1908, page 99), an earnest appeal to preach a Sabbath observance sermon during the month of April, and also send a contribution to the Lord's Day Alliance for their prosecution of your work. How many sermons were preached is unknown. Fifteen Presbyterian churches of the 347 in New Jersey forwarded \$84.10. The enemy is spending large sums of money and putting forth every effort that they may win. This united front must be met by counter efforts, prayers of faith and gifts. Though we are on God's side the battle cannot be waged without cost. The reward, "well done," is to be had for working.

During the coming session of the Legislature bills will doubtless be introduced to permit evil on Sunday, at least in certain places, as Atlantic City. All such legislation must be strongly opposed, and every effort made to prevent a lessening of the strength of the present laws.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

(1) That we urge our members, ministers and elders to do all in their power by voice, vote and agitation to prevent any legislation adverse to the Christian Sabbath by the Legislature.

- (2) That we urge upon the Legislature (and personally upon the Senator and Assemblymen of our respective counties) the passage of a measure similar to that in effect in the State of New York, giving to the Governor power of removal from office, after due hearing, of such officials as refuse to perform the duties of their office.
- (3) That we heartily commend the law-abiding in Atlantic City who are aggressively seeking their rights, and we further pledge ourselves to aid them whenever and wherever possible.
- (4) That we earnestly recommend that each pastor in our Synod preach upon the subject of the Biblical observance of the Lord's Day some time during the month of April next.
- (5) That we recommend to our ministers, elders and churches that they heartily co-operate in all good work undertaken by the Lord's Day Alliance of New Jersey, or of any county in New Jersey, and that they contribute as liberally as possible for the maintenance of this State organization by sending to its treasurer, Rev. Samuel D. Price, 919 North Fifth street, Camden, N. J., the Sabbath Observance offering, taken usually in the month of April.

SAMUEL D. PRICE, Chairman.

# XIV.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON TEM-PERANCE.

Your Committee are glad to present another report of encouraging progress in the temperance work. Increased contributions, both for the work of our General Assembly's Permanent Committee on Temperance, and for the furtherance of the general temperance work, indicate a real and rapid development of interest in this cause. The total contributions for this work reported to the last General Assembly were \$133,504.00, an increase of \$29,000 over the previous year, and nearly double the amount for 1906-07. The churches of our Synod had a worthy part in this benevolence, giving \$1,112.72 toward the support of the Assembly's Committee, and \$6,404.28 for other temperance work, making a total of \$7,517.00, an increase of \$2,442.00 over the previous year.

We are quite sure that, for local and State temperance work, members of our congregations gave much more that was not reported through the churches. It would seem from the increase of funds contributed to further the cause that churches and Christian people are awakening to a sense of their responsibility for an aggressive movement against the drink evil, and that they are encouraged to believe that this evil can, in a large measure, be abolished.

The General Assembly's Committee on Temperance could accomplish a greater and much-needed work for the furtherance of this cause if sufficient funds were provided. Its receipts last year were only \$21,839.31, and in order to close the year without a deficit it was found necessary to dispense with the services of two of its field secretaries for several months.

Nothing is more important for the Temperance Reform than the thorough education of the people, and especially of the rising generation, in reference to the injurious effects of alcoholic beverages and the sinful and shameful character of the liquor business. Our Assembly's Committee is endeavoring to perform this work by its varied literature, covering every phase of the subject; by its Sunday-school lessons and Temperance Day programs; by the publication of a cheap monthly paper, "The Amethyst," which should go into the homes of all of our people, and by the addresses and published articles of its members and field workers. This committee has been efficient also in securing the enactment of better laws for the furtherance of temperance by our National Congress, and in advancing local option and prohibition in some of our States and Territories. The wisdom of the Assembly in maintaining this committee has been abundantly justified, and it only remains for our churches to make larger use of its resources and to give it more liberal support.

By far the larger part of the contributions of our congregations has been expended in supporting temperance work in our own State, and especially our efforts to secure a local option law. The demand for such a law is steadily growing and the reasonableness and justice of this demand is admitted by an increasing number of citizens, of all political parties. The wisdom of local option is also being more clearly demonstrated by its success in many parts of our country. It lays the responsibility for the permission or elimination of the liquor traffic upon the whole body of voters and makes them face their duty in view of its great evils. It provides, also, that the prohibition of the traffic shall advance as fast as the public sentiment is able and willing to support it. It allows the rural districts and the towns and smaller cities to deliver themselves from great evils, forced upon them against the will of the majority of the voters, and opens the way gradually for State-wide prohibition. It is in keeping with the principles of our democratic government. We must keep on demanding of our legislalators this right of home rule for the decision of the liquor problem, and it is evident, in the light of the success of this movement in nearly all of the other States of our Union, that our politicians will not be able much longer to be servants of the liquor men in refusing us the local option privilege. We must turn an unbelieving ear to the cry that prohibition is a failure, that it cannot be enforced, and that it entails greater evils upon the community. We claim, in reply, first, that the prohibition of the liquor-beverage traffic is morally right and a Christian duty and that, in the fear of God, we must endeavor bravely to meet and fulfill our obligations, believing that He will, in time, give us success. We claim, in the second place, that it is the liquor men who violate the law in prohibition territory and encourage others to do the same, and that where the majority of voters elect good men and support them in the enforcement of the law, and where severe penalties are applied, the prohibitory liquor law can be enforced as well as the laws against the social evil and gambling. And we hold, in the third place, that the testimony of men in sympathy with the prohibition of the liquor traffic is of more weight with us than the testimony of those who do not want such prohibition. Abundant testimony comes from many cities and towns in prohibition and local option States as to the great improvement of material and moral conditions under the nolicense regime.

Of course, we must not expect a complete revolution in the drink habits of a city or town in a few weeks or months, and as we have plenty of speak-easies in cities where licensed saloons exist, we must expect some of them under no-license. We must expect, too, that those who are financially interested in the liquor business will make desperate efforts to show that prohibition is a failure. They may point to Atlantic City as an instance of this failure, and claim that not even on the Lord's Day can the prohibitory liquor law be enforced here. But it is well known that the responsible officials of that city have not tried to enforce the Bishops' Law, and that jurors have flagrantly defied the courts and refused to indict liquor sellers upon any evidence of guilt; that the police force has interfered with the public prosecutor and his detectives in recent efforts to arrest criminals. We believe that the example of persistent disregard of law and justice

shown by more than two hundred liquor sellers in Atlantic City has demonstrated the demoralizing character of the liquor business, and that its effect will be to increase the demand for the complete prohibition of the liquor traffic. We have surely seen, in the bold refusal of sworn officials to enforce the law, sufficient justification of our petition that our Legislature will enact legislation giving to the Governor of the State authority, under proper safeguards, to remove from office men who will not perform their official duty.

We believe that the New Jersey Anti-Saloon League, under the management of its capable, zealous and fearless Superintendent, is helping to advance the cause of Local Option in our State by its work of education and agitation, by federating the Christian citizenship of our State for effective service and by aiding to secure the election of good men to our Legislature. Its work the past year has been the best in its history. The first State convention, held under its auspices in Trenton last December, was a great success. The Local Option Bill was introduced in the Senate by Hon. William Plummer, of Salem County, and was supported by him and by Senator William C. Gebhardt, of Hunterdon county, the former a Republican and the latter a Democrat. The League secured a public hearing for the bill. On the Sunday appointed for concerted action in the churches in favor of local option about 700 ministers presented the cause to their people. The League has been fortunate in securing eminent speakers during the year, among them Hon. Seaborn Wright, of Georgia; ex-Governor J. Frank Hanly, of Indiana, and ex-Governor R. B. Glenn, of North Carolina, the latter having spoken in nearly every county of our State to large audiences, creating great interest and enthusiasm. The League has had the moral and financial support of a larger number of the churches the past year; it has had seven men devoting their entire time to the work the whole year, and eight men employed during the recent nominating campaign. It printed and distributed more than 2,000,000 pages of literature during the year, and held more than 600 meetings, besides the church services in which its speakers made addresses. It has fully justified its existence and proved itelf an invaluable and trustworthy aid in our local option movement. Its receipts from all sources last year were nearly \$30,000, showing an increase from living supporters of about \$5,000 over the previous year.

It seems to your Committee that it would be wise if an inter-church organization or federation of the men of the various Christian denominations of our State could be formed with a view of co-operating with the Anti-Saloon League in furthering local option and all other good temperance measures, and we would suggest that our State Brotherhood take this matter up for serious consideration.

We need to give due attention to all approved forms of temperance work and to the need of teaching and preaching total abstinence, of enforcing existing laws and of seeking for better protective legislation. The organization of a great total abstinence society, to include all who would wear its badge, and public parades of the members of such an organization, or its branches, in our towns and cities would be an effective testimony against the drink habit and the liquor traffic, and would make votes for local option and prohibition. We should support the Governor of our State in his efforts to secure a change in the law for the selection of jurors, so that no official shall have power to protect criminals. We should seek some change in the law which now gives a single judge the authority to grant liquor licenses in townships and boroughs, and also in the antiquated statute called the "Inn and Tavern Act," which assumes that alcoholic beverages are a necessity to the traveling public. It would be well also to strive to secure heavier penalties for drunkenness and for selling liquor to minors and on Sundays.

We have abundant reason to be encouraged and stimulated in our temperance work when we contemplate the continued and widespread success of the anti-saloon crusade in our country. At the present time there are nine prohibition States in the Union, and several other States, including Arkansas, South Carolina, Texas and Kentucky, are very close to State-wide prohibitory legislation. It has come to pass that no new legislation of any great importance, favorable to the saloon interest, has been enacted for several years in any State of the Union, while improved legislation in the interest of temperance is, every year or two, enacted in all our States. What we need most of all to make prohibitory legislation effective, and to stop the cry that prohibition does not prohibit, but only makes hypocrites of men, is the enactment of a law by our National Congress giving each State the power to prevent liquor from being shipped over its borders. It is gratifying to know that the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exhibition has been conducted without the sale of liquor upon or within four miles of its grounds, and has proved a great financial success. The business people of our Nation are slow to learn, but are now finding out by experience that the liquor business is the worst foe to our material prosperity, as it is also to the health, the political, the social, moral and spiritual welfare of our country. It is known from government reports that the actual cost of alcoholic drink is over two billions of dollars per year, an average of about \$25 to every man, woman and child, and of \$217.50 to every habitual drinker.

We have recently had an inspiring example of the spirit which should animate every Christian and every patriotic citizen of our land in the action and declaration of Gen. Frederick Dent Grant, who led the great temperance parade in Chicago a few days since, and who is reported to have said, in reply to calumnies and threats, that he would resign from the army if necessary, and make any sacrifice for the sake of the temperance cause.

We must not forget that we are at war with a mighty and cruel enemy. We must hold fast to God and His promise with the faith which overcomes the world.

The Committee offers the following resolutions:

I. That we rejoice in the largely increased total contribution of the churches of our Synod for the support of the work of our General As-

sembly's Permanent Committee on Temperance, and for State Temperance work, as a good indication of a rapidly growing interest among our people in the temperance reform and an encouraging promise of its larger success.

- 2. That we appreciate the very large and important service which our General Assembly's Committee is rendering to the cause of Temperance from year to year; approve heartily of the publication of "The Amethyst" as its official organ and commend it and the various other agencies of this committee to the use and liberal support of all our congregations.
- 3. That we also rejoice in the large and efficient work of the New Jersey Anti-Saloon League during the past year and especially in its employment of some of the most eminent temperance speakers of our country in the work of educating and stimulating the people with a view of securing a more general and enthusiastic support of aggressive temperance and anti-saloon work, and that we renew our commendation of the League to the confidence of all our sessions and congregations and bespeak for it their active and liberal support.
- 4. That through our Moderator and Stated Clerk, we respectfully and and earnestly petition our State Legislature and the Governor of our State to enact during the coming winter a Local Option Law, such as is now in force and proving acceptable to most of the States of our Union, that the sovereign citizens of this State may not be deprived of their freedom, as they now are, in large measure, under our existing laws, in dealing with the confessedly dangerous and harmful liquor traffic.
- 5. That the Temperance Committee of Synod be authorized to represent the Synod, in the advocacy of principles adopted by Synod, before any ecclesiastical or other bodies.
- 6. That this Synod through its Moderator and Stated Clerk shall petition the Congress and the President of these United States to hasten the enactment of a law which will enable the various Prohibition States to protect themselves by legislation and police power from the introduction of alcoholic liquors for beverage purposes within their borders by citizens of any State or country, and which will also prevent the shipment of alcoholic beverages into any and all territory under the jurisdiction of Congress.
- 7. That we express our appreciation and admiration of the action of the Hon. William Plummer, Senator from Salem county, who introduced and ably championed the Local Option Bill in our State Senate last winter, and also of the action of the Hon. William C. Gebhardt and other Senators, who nobly supported that measure.
- 8. That we greatly deplore and condemn the spirit of lawlessness which has been manifested by two hundred or more liquor sellers, and their patrons, in Atlantic City, in boldly and defiantly violating the laws of our State by pursuing or supporting the liquor business on Sundays, and also the shameful action of those officials of this city who have violated their oath of office in permitting and protecting such lawlessness, and also that we renew our petition to the Legislature of our State, that a law be enacted as soon as possible giving the Governor

of the State the authority to remove from office such officials in the State as shall be found guilty of refusing to perform their official duty.

9. In view of the present miscarriage of justice, under the present Grand Jury system, whereby law-breakers and the friends of law-breakers so often dominate our Grand Juries, making the administration of justice a farce,

Resolved, That we urge upon our Legislature the passage of a measure changing the method of drawing the Grand Jury, taking it out of the hands of the Sheriff and vesting it in a Jury Commission, to be appointed by the Governor of the State, or the Supreme Court Judge for that District.

- 10. That we most heartily approve and commend the brave and aggressive work of the Good Citizenship League and the Lord's Day Alliance of Atlantic City in striving to enforce the laws of the State, and to bring to justice those who have openly and flagrantly violated the same to the great injury of the good name of this city and the encouragement of lawlessness in other places in our State, and that we extend to all the law-abiding citizens of this city our sympathy and support in their efforts to rid their community of corrupt officials and to secure the faithful enforcement of existing laws.
- II. That as members of the Synod of New Jersey, we declare ourselves to be unalterably opposed to the alcoholic liquor beverage traffic in all its forms, believing it to be a great curse both to those who sell and to those who drink, a business which entails a far greater tax upon the Nation than it pays, and the chief source of crime and poverty and misery in our land. We exhort all of our people to practice and promote total abstinence from the use of all acoholic beverages, to refrain from renting property for the sale of such beverages, and from signing petitions for securing license to sell them, to lend their support to publishers who decline to advertise the liquor business, and by every lawful and wise measure to prevent the liquor-drinking habit and to discourage and outlaw the whole liquor traffic.
- 12. That we call the attention of our sessions to and commend the observance in our churches of Temperance Day, appointed by our General Assembly to be observed on the last Sabbath of October, and reccommend that it be made a time for special prayer in behalf of the Temperance Cause, and for special instruction and offerings to further total abstinence from the use of intoxicating drinks, and the complete abolition of the alcoholic liquor beverage traffic.

WM. V. LOUDERBOUGH,

Chairman.

# XV.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON PRO-PORTIONATE AND SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

The rounding of the year requires us to look at the round dollars which have been used for the spread of the gospel 'round the world. What can we say of them? What do they say of us? The whole number, as given in the Minutes of General Assembly, is \$1,723,669; the preceding year there were \$1,715,696, an increase of \$7,973. But the per capita for 1908 was \$21.18, whereas for 1909 it is \$20.77, a decrease of 41c. The increase for Home Missions, including Synodical, was \$5,701; for Foreign Missions, \$7,044; for Sabbath-school missionary work, \$35; for relief, \$3,878; for temperance, \$2,442. The total for temperance was \$7,517, of which General Assembly's Committee received \$1,112. The Board of Education received \$1,789 less, the Board of Church Erection \$1,966 less, Freedmen \$2,700 less, and the College Board \$3,417 less in 1909 than in 1908.

Comparing the first five Synods as to their contributions to the Boards, we find Kentucky is first, with \$8.36 per capita; Minnesota, with \$4.91 per capita, second; New Jersey is third, with \$4.81 per capita; Baltimore, fourth, with \$4.49 per capita, and Oregon, fifth, with \$4.13.

In tabulated form the eight home Presbyteries of the Synod rank as follows:

		Boards, pe	9r (	Congrega	-	Miscel-			
M	embership.	capita.	Rank.	tional.	Rank.	laneous.	Rank.	Total.	Rank.
3	Elizabeth,	. \$8.806	1	\$17.55	3	\$1.00	2	\$27.35	2
2	Morris and Orange,	. 7.695	2	19.358	1	.918	3	27.97	1
1	Newark,	5.20	3	17.585	2	.85	4	23.635	4
4	New Brunswick,	. 4.35	4	12.34	7	.425	5	17.115	6
6	Jersey City,	. 3.68	5	16.796	4	3.68	1	24.156	3
7	Monmouth,	. 2.81	6	12.357	6	.35	7	15.517	7
5	West Jersey,	. 2.50	7	15.04	5	.39	6	17.93	5
S	Newton,	. 2.236	8	9.076	8	.27	S	11.58	8

Reference to the reports of the Boards places the Presbyteries in the following order: Morris and Orange, first, \$5.457 per capita; Elizabeth, second, \$3.985 per capita; Newark, third, \$2.93 per capita; Jersey City also third, \$2.93 per capita; New Brunswick, fourth, \$2.708 per capita; Monmouth, fifth, \$2.277 per capita; West Jersey, sixth, \$2.03 per capita; Newton, seventh, \$1.71 per capita. The Guines Church, Presbytery of Havana, filled every space in the columns of Minutes of General Assembly, the Sancti Spiritus Church all but one, Temperance, the Neuva Pas Church, filled five of the nine, and the Havana Church filled three spaces. The increase over the preceding year is \$892.

What do these dollars say to us? Simply that they have been too few, far too few. How can they be increased next year, this year, and every year, so that the work of extending the kingdom of God can be vigorously and unremittingly prosecuted? The Lord has disclosed and

commanded the system of finance for His kingdom, which, if followed by His people, would be simply and surprisingly effective, viz., tithes and offerings. There are evidences that the Presbyterian part of His Church, and other parts too, is coming to understand the importance of obedience to the Lord in this matter. In the report of General Assembly's Special Committee on Beneficence to the last Assembly, much space is given to the consideration of the tithe system. Some quotations are apropos as they are in accord with the principles set forth in these reports the past five years. "Christian stewardship and the tithe are closely associated together, both resting on the general principle that we are not our own but we belong to God and He has a claim upon us. \* \* \* In several recommendations which the General Assembly has passed in previous years, the attention of the Church has been called in a general way to the tithe or the tenth; and in view of the fact that all the present plans and methods devised in obtaining money for the Lord's work are so utterly inadequate to the work to be done, it becomes a serious question whether this very condition of things is not an indication of providence that it would be the wise policy on the part of General Assembly to take positive action recommending to the earnest and careful consideration of the entire Church the duty of all members of the Church to set apart a definite portion of their income for the Lord's work. If the claim of the tithe has been abrogated, and there is no adequate claim under the dispensation of Christ for a substitute for this claim on the conscience of the average member of the Church that is equal to the tithe, it leaves the average church member to the mercy of the evils, on the one side, of covetousness, and on the other, unrestrained luxury; which, under the Old Testament dispensation, found its antidote in the tithe that recognized God as having a claim on a portion of the entire income." The Lord's own summary of the whole matter is, "The tithe is holy unto the Lord." And the Lord Incarnate said, "These things [pay tithes] ye ought to have done." It is the most destructive kind of criticism to repudiate the obligation of the tithe. The tithe is not a "policy," but a revealed and unrepealed law or principle.

Indications of the working of the Holy Spirit in this particular is found in the fact that the Southern California Conference of the M. E. Church employed a "tithe evangelist" one year, who was used of the Lord to bring ninety-five churches to adopt the tithe covenant plan. The same servant of the Lord, Rev. F. Pearl Sigler, was engaged the past year in Indiana, in which State one hundred and twelve M. E. churches and some Presbyterian, Baptist and churches of other denominations adopted the same principle. At its meeting in August, the Twentieth Century Tithe Covenant Association engaged Mr. Sigler to work among the churches of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois this year ensuing. True to God's promise of rich spiritual blessings descending upon those who "bring the whole tithe into the storehouse," many of these churches have experienced most gracious outpourings of the Holy Spirit.

Within the bounds of our Synod it is pleasant to record the formation of Christian Stewardship Associations in three churches, viz.,

Newark, Central; Bridgeton, West, 17 members, and Collingswood, 19 members. The form of covenant, or pledge, used in the last named church is herewith given to guide or help pastors or sessions in other churches: "In grateful acknowledgment of the truth that I am not my own, having been redeemed by the precious blood of Christ, and in recognition of the sacred obligations of Christian Stewardship, I agree to set apart not less than one-tenth of my income, so far as I am able to reckon it, to be used in maintaining and extending the Kingdom of Christ, and I will seek wisdom and grace to administer the other ninetenths as a faithful steward of my Lord and King." Few are the churches in which such action could not be taken. The initiative must be made by the pastor and elders; they would be the best nucleus for the movement in any congregation, and if they were to go at it with whole-souled conviction and enthusiasm, they surely would have some to follow and co-operate. Then let each one become an active propagandist and the number would steadily increase. That is the way the tithe plan was developed in the Memorial Church, Indianapolis. That is, in fact, the only way in which any plan or system can be made successful and effective, and the Lord made no exception with His tithe system, for the Scriptures contain records of the difficulties the servants of Jehovah encountered in enforcing the law, even as it is to-day.

The educational work of your committee was performed, to the extent the appropriation enabled, in sending to the pastors and elders of Synod a copy of a leaflet entitled "The Law of the Tenth," by Rev. Washington R. Laird, Ph.D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, West Chester, Pa., which was prepared for a paper read before the Presbyterian Ministers' Association of Philadelphia, Pa., and various leaflets provided by the Special Committee on Systematic Beneficence, numbering in all 45,750 pages.

We present the following for your favorable consideration:

- I. We recommend and urge all pastors, Sessions and Boards of Trustees of churches within our bounds to place them on the tithe basis by forming Christian Stewardship Associations as recommended by General Assembly.
- 2. That in connection with or in addition to Mission Study Classes the subject of Stewardship be studied. (An excellent text book entitled "Stewardship and Missions," has been prepared by Rev. Chas. A. Cook, D.D.)
- 3. That we as a Synod accept the apportionment recommended by the Executive Commission of General Assembly, viz., an increase of five per cent. over last year for our contributions to the Benevolent agencies of our Church.
- 4. That \$25 be appropriated for the work of this Committee for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of your Committee.

W. W. CASSELBERRY,

# XVI.—REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERIAN BROTHERHOOD OF NEW JERSEY.

To the Synod of New Jersey:

In presenting our Third Annual Report we are grateful to notice a healthy growth in the Brotherhood movement throughout the churches in this Synod, and we feel certain that much good has been accomplished, and equally certain that very much more may be done if the men's movement is introduced in churches not now having men's organizations.

Our Third Annual Convention was held on February 12th, 1909, at the First Presbyterian Church of Haddonfield, New Jersey, at which time we were privileged to listen to addresses by the Rev. H. C. Minton, D.D.; Mr. J. Tatem, President of our Organization; Mr. Henry E. Rosevear, Associate Secretary of the Presbyterian Brotherhood of America, and Mr. J. Lewis Twaddell, of Pennsylvania.

The attendance at this Convention was very much affected by the fact that we met on the 100th anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln, which interfered with a large number who would otherwise have been present. We are gratified, however, to report that notwith-standing the Lincoln celebration, there were 31 pastors, 50 lay delegates and 40 visitors, making a total enrollment of 121 men.

The following persons were elected for the ensuing year:

President-Mr. J. Fithian Tatem, of Haddonfield, New Jersey.

Vice-Presidents—Northern section of the State, Mr. William A. Arnold, of Paterson, New Jersey; southern section of the State, Mr. Thomas McCorkle, of Atlantic City, New Jersey; central section of the State, Judge John Rellstab, of Trenton, New Jersey.

Secretary—Mr. Waldo C. Genung, of Newark, New Jersey. Treasurer—Mr. Edward W. Dunham, of Trenton, New Jersey.

#### MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.

From the Presbytery of Elizabeth—Rev. William Force Whitaker, D.D., Mr. Clarence J. Buzby.

From the Presbytery of Jersey City—Rev. J. D. Steele, Ph.D., Mr. Thomas Graham.

From the Presbytery of Monmouth—Rev. Charles B. Austin, D.D., Mr. R. S. McCown.

From the Presbytery of Morris and Orange—Rev. John Douglass Adam, D.D.; Mr. William B. Harris.

From the Presbytery of Newark—Rev. John McDowell, Mr. Charles G. Titsworth.

From the Presbytery of New Brunswick—Rev. Linius L. Strock, Mr. Calvin Solliday.

From the Presbytery of Newton—Rev. Percy Y. Schelley, Mr. William W. Woodward.

From the Presbytery of West Jersey—Rev. William V. Louderbough, Mr. Thomas W. Synnott.

The Fourth Annual Convention of the Brotherhood will be held on Saturday, February 12th, 1910, at the First Presbyterian Church, Trenton, New Jersey, and it is hoped that this date will be borne in mind, and a large attendance thus insured, especially in view of the meeting place being nearer to the center of the State. The Committee on Program for this Convention are authorized, if the way be clear, to arrange for a banquet to be held Friday evening, the night previous to the coming Convention.

A special effort has been made during the year to secure a complete directory of the men's clubs, and we have thus secured reports from 232 churches, in which there are 128 men's organizations.

The particulars are as follows:

	Churches	No. of
Presbytery.	Reporting.	Societies.
Elizabeth,	34	17
Jersey City,	25	16
Monmouth,	27	10
Morris and Orange,	27	13
Newark,	41	25
New Brunswick,	23	13
Newton,	6	6
West Jersey,	49	28
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At the meeting of the Executive Council held March 22d, 1909, the resignation of Mr. Charles G. Titsworth and Rev. Mr. Schelley as members of the Council were accepted, and Rev. James Moore, of Phillipsburg, was elected in Rev. Mr. Schelley's place.

We note during the year that a few of the men's organizations have become disorganized and some have disbanded, and we are positive that almost invariably this may be accounted for by the fact that the ideal set by these clubs was not high enough, and we would again urge that the social and other similar work should be pushed, but never in such a way as to make the spiritual work of our clubs in any way subservient.

In this connection we are pleased to report, however, that the whole number of men's organizations of the Synod has increased during the past year, there being 12 more clubs than there were one year ago.

All of which is respectfully submitted this eighteenth day of October, A. D. 1909.

THE PRESBYTERIAN BROTHERHOOD OF NEW JERSEY.

J. FITHIAN TATEM,

President.

WALDO C. GENUNG,

Secretary.

# XVII.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON PRESBYTERIAN BROTHERHOOD.

To the Synod of New Jersey:

The Permanent Committee on Presbyterian Brotherhood for the Synod of New Jersey respectfully reports, as follows:

The Presbyterian Brotherhood of New Jersey was organized at Trenton on February 12th, 1907, under a constitution adopted that day. The constitution and the organization were approved by Synod in October, 1907 (see Minutes of Synod, 1907, pages 19, 20). The Brotherhood, in its report to the Synod of 1907, recommended the appointment by the Synod of "a Committee on Presbyterian Brotherhood with whom the Presbyterian Brotherhood of New Jersey might from time to time confer in the prosecution of its work" (see Minutes, 1907, page 122). The Synod approved the recommendation and appointed a new Permanent Committee on the Presbyterian Brotherhood, "to consist of a chairman, appointed by the Synod, the same to be a layman, together with the chairmen on the same work in the respective Presbyteries." The Synod, also, at the same time, requested each Presbytery "to appoint a Permanent Committee on the Brotherhood, whose chairman shall be a layman, and likewise a majority of its members" (see Minutes, 1907, page 20).

The Chairman of Synod's Committee, appointed in 1907, reported to the Synod of 1908 that the Presbyteries had all failed to send him the names of the chairmen of their Presbyterial Committees; that no meeting of the Synod's Committee had been called, and that there was no matter of special importance to report to Synod (Minutes, 1908, page 29).

It will be observed that by the action of the Synod of 1907 the Synod's Committee was so constituted as to be composed exclusively of laymen. The Synod's Committee, as printed on page 142 of the Minutes of 1908, is now composed, however, of three ministers and five laymen, as follows: Elder William M. Lanning, chairman; Rev. Wm. Force Whitaker, D.D., of the Presbytery of Elizabeth; Elder John C. Allen, of the Presbytery of Monmouth; Elder Waldo C. Genung, of the Presbytery of Newark; Rev. James Moore, of the Presbytery of Newton; Elder Henry D. Cobb, of the Presbytery of Jersey City; Rev. J. Douglas Adam, of the Presbytery of Morris and Orange; Elder Joseph H. Wright, of the Presbytery of New Brunswick; and Elder J. Fithian Tatem, of the Presbytery of West Jersey.

We believe that the action of 1907 should be so modified as to authorize each Presbytery to select for the chairmanship of its Permanent Committee on Presbyterian Brotherhood a minister or layman, according as it shall deem best. When the Brotherhood, at the time of its organization in 1907, recommended the appointment by the Synod of a Committee on Presbyterian Brotherhood, it did not, we think, expect such Committee to assume any duty of directorship or any responsibility

for results. This seems clear from the fact that the recommendation limited the functions of the Committee to conferences with the Brotherhood in the prosecution of the Brotherhood's work. The Brotherhood, loyal to our Presbyterian polity, desired to subject itself to the authority of Synod, and for that purpose it recommended that Synod appoint a committee with whom the Brotherhood might confer as occasion should require, or as expediency should suggest. There have been no such conferences during the past year. None have been requested by the Brotherhood or any of its officers. We therefore report the above facts concerning our appointment and our functions, as we understand them, and recommend for adoption the following resolutions:

1. That the Permanent Committee on the Presbyterian Brotherhood shall consist of a chairman to be appointed annually by the Synod, together with one member from each of the eight Presbyteries in New Jersey to be appointed annually by such Presbyteries respectively.

2. That the Presbyterian Brotherhood of New Jersey is cordially invited to bring to Synod's Permanent Committee on the Presbyterian Brotherhood, from time to time, for conference and advice, such questions concerning its work as the Brotherhood or its officers may wish to confer or be advised upon.

W. M. LANNING, Chairman.

# XVIII.—REPORT OF THE CUSTODIANS OF HISTORICAL MATERIAL.

The Custodians of Historical Material respectfully report that the following matter has been deposited upon the Synod's shelves during the past year:

From the Rev. Richard R. Stier:

Twenty-fifth Anniversary Historical Sketch, German Presbyterian Church, Sayreville, N. J., 1907.

From Mr. Samuel B. Ketcham:

Bi-Centennial of the First Presbyterian Church, Pennington, 1909.

From the Rev. Paul F. B. Hamborszky:

Brief History, Magyar Ev. Ref. Presbyterian Church, New Brunswick, 1909.

From the Rev. Charles E. Craven, D.D.:

Copies of Minutes, Synod of New York and New Jersey, for completion of files, from the library of the late Elijah R. Craven, D.D. From Pastors and Friends of the Synod:

Pictures of sundry Churches within the Synod.

From Representatives of the Rosemont Church:

Session Book of Presbyterian Church, Rosemont, December, 1847, to December, 1849.

WALTER A. BROOKS, JOSEPH H. DULLES, Custodians.

# XIX.—REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON HISTORICAL MATERIAL.

The year 1909 will be noted for many anniversaries. Men and events of past centuries are being brought to the attention of this age through a series of centennial celebrations. Just a century ago were born Lincoln, Darwin, Tennyson, Holmes, Edward Fitzgerald of the Rubaiyat, Mrs. Browning, Gladstone, and Poe. A century and a half ago, Burns was born; and in 1509, on July 10, at Noyon, John Calvin, the Presbyterian, came into the world. Incidentally, a century since, Thomas Paine breathed his last at New Rochelle, and by those faithful to his spirit, his memory has not been this year neglected.

A great celebration has been carried through at Manhattan and other municipalities along the Hudson river in New York, honoring jointly the achievements of Henry Hudson, who discovered that noble river in 1609, and Robert Fulton, who first caused boats propelled by steam to sail upon its surface. Truly 1909 is a history-teaching year.

Of the men and events here noticed, the birth of John Calvin is the rubric of the list, especially as seen from the point of view of this Presbyterian body. Though it has seemed best not to attempt at this time and place a formal celebration, it will be proper, by resolution, to place on record some evidence of our appreciation of his genius and loyalty to his spirit.

Within the bounds of the Synod of New Jersey, since our last meeting, has been observed the fiftieth anniversary of the New Jersey Sunday-school Association; services of commemoration having been held in connection with the annual convention at New Brunswick, November 17–19, 1908.

Chief among all the historical events of the year is the dedication of the massive monolith at Fairfield, near Bridgeton, known as the Cohansey Monument. The name alone seems almost hallowed from its frequent atterance among us by Dr. Allen H. Brown, whose vacant place we still mourn. He urged the project of the monument consistently for years before this body, and it would have been to him a keen pleasure to have seen it fittingly dedicated.

Cohansey Monument, though in a broad sense a project of the Synod of New Jersey, is really the product of effort and achievement within the Presbytery of West Jersey. The idea was born out of the mind of Dr. Brown, chairman of the Historical Committee of that Presbytery, and nourished on his heart. Through his advocacy the Presbytery appointed on April 15th, 1902, a special committee to commemorate by some appropriate monument the beginnings, at Fairfield, on Cohansey creek, of the Presbyterian Church in South Jersey. The committee was composed of the existing Historical Committee, with three ministers and one elder added, the names standing as follows: Rev. Allen H. Brown, Rev. Frederic R. Brace, Rev. Sylvester W. Beach, Morris H. Stratton, Rev. Win. J. Bridges, Rev. Robert W. Peach, Rev. John Bamford and James J. Reeves.

The history of the work of this committee must be sought elsewhere; it is enough for us to record that on June 15th last, after seven years, the Cohansey Monument was dedicated with fitting ceremonies.

On this glad occasion the Presbyterians of South Jersey, and their friends, in large numbers gathered at old Cohansey Cemetery, and there unveiled a truly superb monolith upon which are deeply engraved the names of Rev. Thomas Bridge, and the twenty-six signers of the so-called Cohansey compact for the organization of the Church at Fairfield, two centuries ago. The order of exercises, proper to be recorded in permanent form in the minutes of this Synod, was as follows:

Prayer—Rev. Joseph L. Ewing, pastor of the West Church, Bridgeton.

Scripture Reading, Psalm 72—Rev. Heber H. Beadle, pastor of the Second Church, Bridgeton.

Hymn-"O God of Bethel! by whose hand."

Introductory Statement—Rev. Frederic R. Brace, D.D. Chairman of the Historical Committee of the Presbytery of West Jersey.

Report of the Treasurer—P. Kennedy Reeves, Treasurer of the Historical Committee of the Presbytery of West Jersey.

Unveiling of the Monument-By Miss Bertha May Bateman.

Dedicatory Prayer—Rev. Luther A. Oates, pastor of the First Church, Bridgeton.

Hymn-"Great God of Nations! Now to Thee."

Historical Address—"Rev. Thomas Bridge and the Signers of the Agreement in Fairfield." By Rev. John E. Peters, Sc.D.

Addresses of Congratulation—Rev. Davis W. Lusk, D.D., Moderator of the Synod of New Jersey; Rev. Joseph F. Folsom, Chairman of the Committee on Historical Materials in the Synod of New Jersey; Rev. Henry C. McCook, D.D., LL.D., President of the Presbyterian Historical Society, and pastors in the region known as Cohansey.

Benediction—Rev. Nelson B. Kline, Pastor of the Fairfield Church. When the sun began to lower, the historic scene was over, and the people, with chastened spirits, dispersed to their many labors of the common day.

The Committee have also to record that the church at Pennington celebrated, on May 16th, its 200th anniversary, and the Allentown church expects on November 7th and 9th to celebrate three anniversaries in its history, namely, the one hundred and sixtieth of its charter granted by Governor Belcher, the one hundredth of its Sunday-school and the thirty-fifth of the pastorate of Rev. George Swain, D.D.

Your Committee desires to present three recommendations:

- 1. That all matters and occasions of historical import among the churches be communicated to the chairman, or any member of the Committee on Historical Materials, for use in preparing the yearly report to Synod.
- 2. That this Synod convey to the Presbytery of West Jersey its cordial congratulations upon the completion, through the efforts of

that Presbytery, of the Cohansey Monument, and the dedication of the same.

3. That the following resolution, as appropriate to the 400th anniversary of the birth of John Calvin, be adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod of New Jersey, in recognition of the centennial of John Calvin, falling in this year, 1909, record its sense of the worth to the Kingdom of God of that noble scholar and preacher, and commend his Christian zeal, his tireless labors for the truth, and his manly sense of God's sovereignty, and consequent acceptance of personal responsibility, to the youth of its churches.

JOSEPH F. FOLSOM,

Chairman.

# XX.—REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON INTER-DENOMINATIONAL CONFERENCE.

The Synod of 1908 continued this Committee for another year "to gather facts and further information concerning inter-denominational interests and report the same to the Synod." (See Minutes of Synod, 1908, p. 20.)

The greatest fact of the year in this connection was the meeting of the First Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, which was held in Philadelphia, Pa., December 2d to 8th, 1908. It was the issue of the plan conceived by the great Conference on Inter-Church Federation held in New York in 1905, at which the representatives of thirty church bodies gathered.

The business sessions were held in the Witherspoon Building, the use of which was offered to the Council by the Presbyterian Board of Publication without charge. There were thirty-four church bodies represented, having a constituency of about seventeen million communicants, who represented a majority of the inhabitants of the United States. The delegates were chosen by the highest judicatories of their respective churches. They continued in session for six days. The whole range of questions pertaining to modern Christianity was covered by the reports prepared by committees of Christian experts. From this great Council will go forth a mighty stream of Christian influence. Great good has already been done in several ways. Much more may be easily accomplished along the same lines. The Federal Council is (1st) a bond of fellowship between the evangelical denominations of our country. (2d) It is an expression of the loyalty of the Christian Churches to Jesus Christ as their divine Lord and Saviour. (3d) It is a means of securing the co-operation of good men for the maintenance in our country of moral conditions, and (4th) it is an agency for united evangelistic work at home and abroad. The Federation idea implies Protestant unity. It is a near approach to Protestant unity. Federation is at present the only practicable way of combining all the Christian forces.

We also report more particularly on the matter of local Federations in the Synod. The first Inter-Church Federation was formed in Trenton in October, 1906, and soon after undertook to federate the State. Correspondence and visitation have led to the formation of the six sister Federations of New Brunswick, Paterson, Camden, Bound Brook, Somerset County and Hunterdon County. We reported on this movement last year. (See Minutes of Synod, 1908, p. 20.) Most of these have undertaken evangelistic and charitable enterprises. Besides these, there are Civic Righteousness Federations in Hudson county and in Newark, which have done a good work. The Trenton Federation, now in its third year, is constantly growing stronger. It includes 37 evangelistical churches of all denominations, with 14,000 communicants. It has a first-class central office, with paid City Missionary. At

this office is the Federation's Bureau of Associated Charities, the City Missionary being a Charity Superintendent and an evangelistic preacher. During the summer the Federation carried on tent services for five weeks, and, in connection with the local Y. M. C. A., a series of outdoor services on eight Saturday nights in crowded parts of the city, using an automobile to reach four points each night, and two pastors to give the message. The report of this work made a profound impression on the city. Out of this has grown an evangelistic movement this fall, to be carried on by the united forces of the Federation, the Sunday-school Superintendents' Union and the Y. M. C. A. They have arranged to hold four days of meetings, to be conducted by Rev. Dr. Torrey on Thursday to Sunday, October 28th to 31st, and intended to be preliminary meetings for Christian people and workers. Then, on Sunday, November 8th, a series of district evangelistic meetings will be held, to be conducted by the pastors. Besides these departments for charity and evangelistic work, there are also effective departments on Sabbath Observance, Temperance and Excise, and Social Purity, each of which, in the course of the year, has achieved notable success.

Our strong belief is that there is a need in every community of massing our Christian forces for the promotion of the fraternal spirit and the combating of the awful and increasing evils of our times. The last General Assembly by two of its committees urged such action upon the churches. (See Minutes of G. A., 1909, pp. 78, 265.)

The message from the General Assembly is a call to this Synod, to all the Presbyteries of this Synod, to unite with all our brethren in the other churches, and, as a united Church, advance to the victory that is promised. We think that the time has now come for us to take steps that shall lead definitely toward Inter-Church Federations in all the Presbyteries and Inter-Church Federation of the State. If one local Federation could, by correspondence and visitation, without the aid of the superior judicatory, lead to the formation of six sister Federations, what might not this Synod do if it would now act in correspondence and co-operation with the other denominational conferences of our rank in the State?

We are not now calling for greater activity by the Church in the field of politics, nor is it our idea to add to the present numerous organizations one more organization. Our thought is to bring the churches together, so as to promote fraternity of spirit, unity of aim, harmony of action, economy of time and expense, and for larger and more certain results. It is a fact that, when the churches came together in the anti-gambling crusade they won a tremendous victory. It is also a fact that the Bishops' conference, in which all the larger communions of our State were represented, backed up by the various denominational judicatories and conferences, was a determining factor in the "Bishops' Bill Movement" that has led to better conditions in the field of temperance and excise and law and order. What we need now is not that we get together once in a while, but that we stay

together; not to rally, but to federate. We submit the following recommendations, to wit:

1st. That we call upon all our pastors and churches to cultivate the spirit of fraternity and co-operation, not only among themselves, but with those of sister denominations, with a view to closer unity and greater efficiency of all the Christian forces.

2d. That the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to call the attention of all our Presbyteries, before their next Stated meetings, to the action of the General Assembly, as aforesaid, with a view to leading to the formation of local Inter-church Federation in their respective territories, if the way be clear.

3d. That this special committee be continued for another year, with directions to carry out the intentions of the General Assembly's recommendations pertaining to Inter-church Federation; to gather facts and further information concerning inter-denominational interests and report to the Synod, and that the name of this committee be "the Special Committee on Inter-church Federation."

4th. That this Synod authorize and instruct this Committee to make overtures on its behalf to the proper authorities representing all the other evangelical judicatories of equal rank with this Synod, to the end that an Inter-church Federation of New Jersey may be formed upon the basis of the principles laid down by the First Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America at the meeting of December, 1908.

HENRY COLLIN MINTON, HUGH B. MACCAULEY, WM. V. LOUDERBOUGH.

Committee.

## XXI.—A MEMORIAL.

To the Synod of New Jersey:

Dear Brethren—I would respectfully call your attention to the fact that the new law for Trustees, which was passed by the legislature, at the request of this Synod, was attacked last year by the introduction of Senate Bill No. 56, which proposed to amend the said law by striking at one of its most vital spots. This attack was all the more aggravating because it was the second attack of the kind, the first having been made the year before by a bill introduced by the Senator from Essex. Furthermore, this attack came from no church in our Presbytery, but from promiscuous individuals animated by motives that need not be mentioned here. The Trenton pastors and their officers rallied to the defense of the law, and took action according to the following minutes, which I append hereto.

In accordance with the directions of the meeting aforesaid the Senator concerned was interviewed and consented to withdraw the bill. Since then I have heard of various mutterings against the withdrawal, and intimations of a future renewal of the attack.

I am strongly of the opinion that it is wise to keep our people informed as to the meaning and intent of this new law for Trustees and Temporalities. Lawyers of the highest abilities, with added standing as churchmen in our communion, were its authors. Ministers likewise added their experience. Objections melt away when its constitutional requirements are explained. I would respectfully suggest that due notice of the matter be taken by the Synod. I append a copy of the more important actions taken by the Synod in this connection, including the admirable report of the committee that framed the law.

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH B. MACCAULEY.

# XXIa.—EXTRACTS PERTAINING TO THE NEW LAW FOR TRUSTEES.

(1) Minutes of Synod of New Jersey, 1904, pp. 23, 109.

"The Special Committee on the Laws of Trustees made its report as follows:

"To the Synod of New Jersey:

"In 1901 the Presbytery of Newton sent up an overture to the Synod concerning a proposed revision of the civil law relating to Trustees in Presbyterian churches. The overture was referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Rev. J. DeHart Bruen, Rev. Franklin E. Miller, D.D., Rev. Sylvester W. Beach, and Elders John S. Jessup and William M. Lanning.

"That Committee were requested to report at the next meeting of the Synod. We did so, and the draft of the law proposed by the Committee was published in the Appendix to the Minutes of 1902, in accordance with the order of the Synod, and with notice that suggestions concerning the same should be sent to the Committee during the ensuing year, the Committee being continued for that purpose.

"In 1903, the Committee again reported the draft of the law prepared by them in 1902, with certain amendments suggested by various members of the church. The amended draft was again published, by direction of the Synod, in the Appendix to the Minutes of 1903. Your Committee have no further amendments to suggest.

"The principle upon which the proposed law is based is that it is brought into accord with the constitution of our church. The amendment made to the Form of Government of our church in 1898, providing that the Session shall have conrtol of the uses of the church buildings and of the music, introduced into the administration of the spiritual affairs of our church a rule that had not always been fully recognized. Boards of Trustees had occasionally assumed control of the uses of church buildings and of matters relating to the music in church services. The proposed law, drafted by your Committee, makes clear, as we think, the rule that the Sessions of our respective churches are vested with exclusive authority to control all matters relating to the worship of the church and the uses of the church buildings.

"Other matters are contained in the proposed law, such as are necessary to make a complete system for the management of the temporal affairs of our churches.

"Various denominations have, in New Jersey, special laws for the control of the temporal affairs of their churches. The Presbyterian Church has no special law for such purpose. We think that, owing to the peculiar relation existing between Boards of Trustees and the Sessions in our Presbyterian churches, there is need for a law which recognizes that peculiar relation and the dual system of government that prevails in our Church. It is believed that the proposed law will,

by more clearly defining the powers and duties of Boards of Trustees, tend to promote harmony of administration and good will between the two sets of officers.

"We recommend the following:

"I. Resolved, That the proposed law, as printed in the Minutes of 1903, be adopted.

"2. Resolved, That the Committee be enlarged by the addition of the following persons, to wit, Hon. Hugh H. Hamill, of Trenton; Mr. Thos. W. Synnott, of Wenonah, and Hon. Frederick Parker, of Freehold, and the Committee be authorized to make any alteration or amendments in the text of the proposed law as may seem to them best, and to present and urge the same before the next Legislature."

## (2) Minutes of Synod of New Jersey, 1905, pp. 29, 111.

"The consideration of the report of the Special Committee on the Law of Trustees was now resumed, and the recommendations of the report were adopted as follows:

"The history of the present movement concerning a revision of the civil law relating to trustees in Presbyterian churches is briefly set forth in the Minutes of Synod of 1904, pp. 23, 24. It is sufficient here to repeat only this, that a proposed draft for a new law was published in the Minutes of 1902, again reported with certain amendments, and again published in the Minutes of 1903, and was again reported and adopted by the Synod of 1904.

"The Special Committee was enlarged at the last meeting of Synod by the Moderator's appointment of Rev. Hugh B. MacCauley, D.D., to take the place of the Rev. Franklin E. Miller, D.D., deceased, and by the addition, as recommended by the Committee, of the following persons, to wit: Hon. Hugh H. Hamill, of Trenton; Mr. Thomas W. Synnott, of Wenonah, and Hon. Frederick Parker, of Freehold. The Committee was 'authorized to make any alterations or amendments in the text of the proposed law as might seem best to them, and to present and urge the same before the next Legislature.' (See Minutes of Synod, 1904, p. 24.)

"Several meetings of the enlarged Committee were held, and every part of the proposed law was carefully considered several times. The final text was submitted to each member and was unanimously adopted. The matter of the text, as compared with what was printed before, is different in a few particulars, and was changed by virtue of the authority conferred upon the Committee by Synod and in the interest of simplicity and a more logical order.

"The law was duly introduced by Senator Barton B. Hutchinson, of Mercer county, was enacted by the Legislature of 1904-05, and signed by Governor Stokes, and will take effect on the 1st of January, 1906. Through the error of a clerk the word 'or' in Section 15, line 2. is omitted, and will have to be restored by the next Legislature.

"The new law for Trustees having been enacted, should now be called to the attention of all our churches, and the fullest information

should be given to prevent the possibility of illegality in the constituency of boards of trustees or of irregularity of acts.

"We propose the following resolutions:

"I. That the Committee, having finished its labors, be now discharged.

"2. That the draft of the new law, herewith submitted, containing the standard text as adopted by your Committee, be printed in the Appendix of Synod's Minutes for reference.

"3. That the Stated Clerk be directed to confer with the proper persons in the next Legislature, with a view to the correction of the mistake of the omitted word, or any other departure from the standard text that may appear.

"4. That the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to print an extra number of copies of the new law for Trustees, and send one copy to every pastor and to "the moderator of every vacant church, and to every Session and to every board of trustees, together with a brief circular letter calling attention to the most important requirements of the act.

"5. That the Stated Clerk of Synod be directed to call the attention of each of our home Presbyteries to the new law, so that all our churches may receive the benefit, if necessary, of Presbytery's oversight and aid in this matter.

"Synod unanimously extended a vote of thanks to the Committee for its very efficient services."

# (3) Minutes of Synod of New Jersey, 1906. p. 10.

"The Stated Clerk respectfully reports to the Synod of New Jersey as follows: \* \* \*

"3. That the Clerk has obeyed the instructions of the Synod given at the last meeting as to the notification of various persons and parties of the action of the Synod concerning them, and in particular that, through the former Committee on the New Law of Trustees, he secured from the Legislature the correction of the error in the law caused by the omission of the word 'or' by a clerk of the former Legislature; that he has printed and distributed to the pastors and churches of the Synod copies of the new law, together with a letter of explanation, prepared by the former Committee, and that copies of the law and the letter are ready for distribution to those who may desire them at this meeting."

### XXII.—REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF TRUSTEES.

EBEN B. COBB, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.

Dr.			
To cash on hand September 30th, 1908,	\$279	67	
To Chapman Fund (S. H. M.),	335	54	
To payment of Beakey mortgage,	1,023	06	
To Hunt Fund (S. H. M.),	250	00	
To interest on Barnegat mortgage,	36	25	
To interest on bonds,	60	00	
To interest on funds in bank,	9	35	
Total,	• • • • • •		\$1,993 87
Total,	• • • • • •		\$1,993 87
			\$1,993 87
Cr.	\$1,500		\$1,993 87
Cr. By purchase of bonds,	\$1,500 21	00	\$1,993 87
Cr.  By purchase of bonds,	\$1,500 21	00 58 75	\$1,993 87
Cr.  By purchase of bonds,  By interest on bonds to date of purchase,  By commission on purchase of bonds,	\$1,500 21 3	00 58 75 25	\$1,993 87

The Trustees of the Synod of New Jersey on September 30th, 1909, have in their possession the following:

- (1) A bond and mortgage of the Presbyterian Church of Barnegat, N. J., for \$725.00, dated October 10th, 1899, bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent. This represents what is known as the "Holmes Fund," which was given to the Trustees for the benefit of the Presbyterian Church at Forked River, N. J. This mortgage is in the custody of Mr. Elwood C. Harris, 732 Prudential building, Newark, N. J., who is one of the Trustees of Synod.
- (2) Two Elizabeth City 4 per cent. bonds; one for \$1,000, the other for \$500. These bonds are in safe deposit box No. 113, National State Bank, Elizabeth, N. J., which city is the home of the Treasurer. These bonds are regarded as belonging

(3) Cash on deposit in the Camden Safe Deposit and Trust Co., bearing interest at 3 per cent., \$433.29.

EBEN B. COBB,

Treasurer of Board of Trustees.

Elizabeth, N. J., October 1st, 1909.

Examined and approved.

N. W. CADWELL, R. S. INGLIS.

# XXIII.—REPORT OF TREASURER.

Eben B. Cobb, Treasurer, in Account With the Synod of New Jersey.

Dr.		
To balance from previous account,	\$545 68	
To apportionments from eight Presbyteries,	700 00	
To advertising,	25 00	
To interest on deposits,	5 71	
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Total,		\$1,276 39
Cr.		
By janitor's bill (Atlantic City),	\$10 00	
By salaries for the year ending September 30th,		
1909,	210 00	
By expenses of Auditing Committee,	4 48	
By expenses of officers of Synod,	9 60	
By expenses of Committee on Sabbath Observ-		
ance,	16 75	
By expenses of Committee on Executive Commis-		
sion,	20 37	
By expenses of Evangelistic Committee,	8 23	
By expenses of Committee on Systematic Benefi-		
cence,	25 00	
By printing Minutes,	300 55	
By binding Minutes,	3 75	
By bond of Treasurer of S. H. M.,	25 00	
By cash on hand September 30th, 1909,	642 66	

Treasurer.

Elizabeth, N. J., October 1st, 1909.

Examined and found correct.

N. W. CADWELL, R. S. INGLJS.

## XXIV.—STATISTICAL REPORTS.

I. The Presentery of Corisco consists of fourteen ministers and fifteen churches, and has under its care one local evangelist and twentyfive candidates. Half of our ministers of Presbytery, lacking one, are native Africans.

## Ordained-

December 22d, 1908, Ndenga Pipa. January 3d, 1909, Bodumba Ibiya.

### Installed-

December 27th, 1908, Rev. Mbula Ngubi. January 3d, 1909, Rev. Bodumba Ibiya.

### Received candidates-

December 18th, 1908, Monjeli, son of Beli.

Frank D. P. Hickman, Stated Clerk.

II.—The Presbytery of Elizabeth consists of forty-two ministers and thirty-three churches, and has under its care two candidates for the ministry.

### Received-

January 19th, 1909, Rev. James B. Dare, from the Presbytery of Boston.

## Licentiate received-

October 19th, 1909, George Dunshee.

### Dismissed-

January 19th, 1909, Rev. William W. Casselberry, to the Presbytery of West Jersey.

June 2d, 1909, Rev. Charles F. Shaw, to the Presbytery of Albany. September 8th, 1909, Rev. Harry B. Angus, to the Presbytery of Washington City.

### Ordained-

November 6th, 1908, Mr. Aurelio Cantafio. June 16th, 1909, Mr. Harry B. Angus.

#### Installed-

January 27th, 1909, Rev. James B. Dare, Lower Valley and Cokesbury.

May 6th, 1909, Rev. Ernest R. Brown, Dunellen.

### Dissolved pastoral relations-

January 19th, 1909, Rev. William W. Casselberry and Dunellen. April 20th, 1909, Rev. Ernest R. Brown and Carteret.

June 2d, 1909, Rev. Charles F. Shaw and Rahway, First.

### Licensed-

June 15th, 1909, Mr. Harry B. Angus.

## Dismissed local evangelist-

January 19th, 1909, Mr. Robert M. Honeyman, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia, North.

### Deceased-

November 28th, 1908, Rev. William H. Morrow, at Brooklyn, N. Y., in his 40th year.

February 17th, 1909, Rev. Edward Love, at Plainfield, N. J., in his 59th year.

Samuel Parry, Stated Clerk.

III.—The Presentery of Havana consists of fourteen ministers and fifteen churches, and has under its care four licentiates and seven candidates.

HENRY B. SOMEILLAN,
Stated Clerk.

IV.—The Presentery of Jersey City consists of fifty-six ministers and forty churches, and has under its care two licentiates and five candidates.

### Ministers received-

December 7th, 1908, Herbert H. Brown, from the Presbytery of Southern Oregon.

December 7th, 1908, Thornton B. Penfield, from the Presbytery of Brooklyn.

June 7th, 1909, Robert H. McCready, from the Presbytery of Hudson.

June 7th, 1909, Herbert B. Howe, from the Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

June 7th, 1909, Richard E. Locke, from the Presbytery of Buffalo.

October 5th, 1909, H. W. J. Schulz, from the South Classis of Bergen, Reformed Church in America.

October 5th, 1909, Charles E. Hoyt, from the Presbytery of Columbia.

### Ministers dismissed-

December 7th, 1908, George Roberts, Jr., to the Presbytery of Champlain.

March 22d, 1909, John C. Scarborough, to the Presbytery of Monmouth.

October 5th, 1909, Charles J. Pendleton, to the Presbytery of Monmonth.

## Licentiates received-

April 20th, 1909, William A. Crozier, from the Newark Conference M. E. Church.

## Ordinations-

June 18th, 1909, William A. Crozier.

## Pastoral relations dissolved-

December 27th, 1908, Rev. George Roberts, Jr., and the Teaneck Church.

April 20th, 1909, Rev. A. E. Wanderer and the First German, Paterson.

October 5th, 1909, Rev. Harvey Iserman and the First Church, Ridgewood.

## Installations-

November 5th, 1908, William L. Oliver, as pastor of the Newfoundland Church.

November 10th, 1908, B. Canfield Jones, as pastor of the Church of the Redeemer, Paterson.

December 10th, 1908, Herbert H. Brown, as pastor of the Church at Ramsey.

June 17th, 1909, Richard E. Locke, as pastor of the Rutherford Church.

June 18th, 1909, William A. Crozier, as pastor of the Palisades Park Church.

## New Churches organized-

November 6th, 1908, the Church at Edgewater, N. J. February 19th, 1909, the Church at Palisades Park, N. J.

## Candidates received-

October 5th, 1909, David B. McCready, William C. Napier.

JAMES Scott Young,

Stated Clerk.

V. The Presbytery of Monmouth consists of fifty-two ministers, and has under its care forty-eight churches and eight candidates for the ministry.

## Ministers received-

April 13th, 1909, Rev. J. C. Scarborough, D.D., from the Presbytery of Jersey City.

- September 28th, 1909, Rev. James W. Van Dyke, from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.
- September 28th, 1909, Rev. James W. Rogan, D.D., from the Presbytery of New Brunswick.
- October 19th, 1909, Rev. Charles I. Pendleton, from the Presbytery of Jersey City.

## Licentiate received-

September 28th, 1909, Franklin J. Miller, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

## Licentiate dismissed-

June 24th, 1909, Herbert Booth Smith, to the Presbytery of Rochester.

## Dismissed-

November 23d, 1908, Rev. Hugh K. Fulton, to the Presbytery of North River.

December 28th, 1908, Rev. Frank G. Bossart, to the Presbytery of Westminster.

April 13th, 1909, Rev. James A. Matheson, to the Presbytery of Boston.

June 22d, 1909, Rev. Charles E. Candee, to the Presbytery of New Castle.

September 28th, 1909, Rev. C. Allen Fisher, to the Presbytery of Boston.

October 19th, 1909, Rev. Samuel H. Thompson, D.D., to the Presbytery of Pittsburg.

## Ordination—

October 7th, 1909, Franklin J. Miller. .

#### Pastoral relations dissolved—

November 23d, 1908. Rev. Hugh K. Fulton and the church of Perrineville.

December 28th, 1908, Rev. Frank G. Bossart and the churches of Cream Ridge and New Egypt.

January 26th, 1909, Rev. Samuel H. Thompson, D.D., and the church at Red Bank.

April 30th, 1909, Rev. James A. Matheson and the church at Delanco.

September 28th, 1909, Rev. Archibald S. Van Orden and the church at Farmingdale.

September 28th, 1909, Rev. C. Allen Fisher and the church at Manalapan.

## Installations

October 7th, 1909, Rev. James W. Rogan, D.D., as pastor of the church at Red Bank.

October 7th, 1909, Rev. Franklin J. Miller, as pastor of church at Delanco.

## Death-

July 11th, 1909, Rev. J. LeRoy Taylor, D.D.

BENJAMIN S. EVERITT,
Stated Clerk.

VI. THE PRESENTERY OF MORRIS AND ORANGE consists of sixty-four ministers and forty-five churches, and has under its care one licentiate, one local evangelist and one candidate.

## Ministers received-

January 19th, 1909, C. P. Way, from the Presbytery of Philadelphia North.

June 15th, 1909, John E. Fray, from the Presbytery of Steuben. September 21st, 1909, Clarence E. Streubel, from the Presbytery of

October 7th, 1909, R. Howard M. Augustine, from the Presbytery of Detroit.

## Licentiates received-

May 20th, 1909, Louis Bogar, from the Presbytery of Lackawanna. June 25th, 1909, Jesse Maxwell Corum, Jr., from the Presbytery of Nashville.

## Installations-

September 29th, 1909, Clarence E. Streubel, over the church at Flanders.

October 7th, 1909, R. Howard M. Augustine, over the church at Hanover.

## Pastoral relations dissolved-

January 19th, 1909, James M. Ludlow and the First Church at East Orange.

January 19th, 1909, Wm. T. Pannell and the church at Flanders. January 19th, 1909, James F. Horn and the church at Whippany.

June 15th, 1909, G. P. Payson and the church at Wyoming.

## Ministers dismissed-

January 19th, 1909, J. M. Thomas, to the Addison County (Vermont) Conference of Congregational Churches.

January 19th, 1909, Wm. T. Pannell, to the Presbytery of West Jersey.

April 13th, 1909, H. B. Howe, to the Presbytery of Jersey City.

June 17th, 1909, Martin Rosenbohm, to the Presbytery of George.

June 25th, 1909, Louis Bogar, to the Presbytery of Shenango.

## Ordinations-

April 13th, 1909, H. B. Howe.

May 20th, 1909, Louis Bogar.

June 17th, 1909, Martin Rosenbohm.

June 25th, 1909, Jesse Maxwell Corum, Jr.

### Licensures-

April 13th, 1909, H. B. Howe and Martin Rosenbohm. September 21st, 1909, Ernest Hansel.

## Deaths-

March 17th, 1909, James A. Ferguson. March 29th, 1909, John Crowell. September 10th, 1909, John H. Scofield.

## Church organized-

June 25th, 1909, Hungarian, of Wharton.

ROBERT HASTINGS NICHOLS, Stated Clerk.

VII. THE PRESBYTERY OF NEWARK consists of seventy-six ministers, and has under its care forty-one churches, three licentiates and thirty-three candidates.

## Ministers received-

October 6th, 1909, Rev. Waldimir Pyndykowski, from the consistory of the Independent Greek Church in Canada.

October 6th, 1909, Rev. Sherman H. Marcy, from the Presbytery of Nassau.

October 19th, 1909, Rev. Pierce A. Chamberlain, from the Presbytery of Chicago.

## Ordinations sine titulo-

May 19th, 1909, Rudolph Pompe. June 2d, 1909, Percy E. Erickson.

## Ministers dismissed-

April 14th, 1909, Rev. Joseph Hamilton, to the Presbytery of Washington.

May 12th, 1909, Rev. Leonard V. C. Mytton, to the classis of Illinois, Reformed Church.

### Pastoral relations dissolved—

April 14th, 1909, Rev. Henry C. Vanderbeek, with the Forest Hill Church, Newark.

June 16th, 1909, Rev. Daniel R. Frazer, D.D., with the First Church, Newark.

## Candidates licensed-

April 14th, 1909, Rudolph Pompe.

May 12th, 1909, Percy E. Erickson.

October 6th, 1909, Carl Aue and George Dunshee.

## Candidates received on examination-

February 3d, 1909, Edward L. Saisselin, Basil Kusiw.

April 14th, 1909, Barris Weinermann, Conrad Eymann, Arnold Loewe.

October 6th, 1909, H. J. Sheirik, Nickolas T. Kacy, Andrew Iwanyshyn, Alois Krisik, James A. Mason, Emil Deutschberger.

## Candidate dismissed-

October 6th, 1909—Sigismund Laky, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

## Licentiate dismissed-

October 19th, 1909, George Dunshee, to the Presbytery of Elizabeth.

## Churches organized-

December 13th, 1908, the First Hungarian Presbyterian of Newark, N. J.

June 20th, 1909, First Ruthenian Presbytery of St. Peter and Paul of Newark, N. J.

## Ministers deceased-

January 14, 1909, Rev. William Reed, D.D., at Paterson, N. J. February 10th, 1909, Rev. James R. Gibson, at Califon, N. J.

Julius H. Wolff,

Stated Clerk.

VIII.—The Presbytery of New Brunswick consists of sixty-one ministers, and has under its care thirty-eight churches, besides the Italian Evangelical Congregation of Trenton, one licentiate and twelve candidates.

## Ministers received from other Presbyteries-

June 29th, 1909, Rev. William S. Bannerman, from the Presbytery of Lehigh.

September 21st, 1909, Rev. George Gordon Smith, from the Presbytery of Washington City.

## Ministers dismissed to other Presbyteries and religious bodies-

January 26th, 1909, Rev. James W. Doughty, to the Presbytery of New York. Rev. Isemu Lebbi Watanabi, to the Presbytery of Nanima Chuki, Japan.

April 13th, 1909, Rev. Spencer C. Dickson, to the Presbytery of Northumberland.

June 29th, 1909, Rev. James W. VanDyke, to the Presbytery of Monmouth. Rev. Sidney Zandstra, to the Classis of Paramus. Rev. Norris W. Harkness, to the Presbytery of Long Island.

September 21st, 1909, Rev. Dr. James W. Rogan, to the Presbytery of Monmouth. Rev. Dr. William S. Voorhies, to the Presbytery of Westchester.

## Pastoral relation constituted—

July 8th, 1909, Rev. William S. Bannerman, installed pastor of Titusville Church.

## Pastoral relations dissolved-

April 13th, 1909, Rev. Spencer C. Dickson, to Hopewell Church. June 29th, 1909, Rev. Norris W. Harkness, to Trenton Second.

September 21st, 1909, Rev. Dr. William S. Voorhies, to Milford and Holland Churches. Rev. Alexander Orin MacDonald, to Kingston Church.

## Candidates taken under care of Presbytery-

January 26th, 1909, Joseph Harold Wolf, Kalil Asaph Bishara, Frederic Zolicoffer Browne, Ludovico Ciletti, James Leishman.

## Candidates dropped from the roll and causes therefor—

October 20th, 1908, Franz Jager, failing in examination and present residence unknown. Malcomb MacDermott, abandoned ministry for law.

## Licensures-

April 14th, 1909, Walter Ernest Montgomery, James Leishman.

## Dismission of licentiate—

June 29th, 1909, Walter Ernest Montgomery, to Presbytery of Belfast, Ireland.

## Ordinations sine titulo-

April 14th, 1909, James Leishman. June 29th, 1909, Sidney Zandstra.

#### Minister deceased-

July 5th, 1909, Rev. Dr. John Woodbridge, at S. Pasadena, Cal.
A. L. Armstrone,
Stated Clerk.

IX. The Presentery of Newton consists of forty-four ministers, and has under its care thirty-six churches and two candidates for the Gospel ministry. It further reports:

## Ministers received-

January 26th, 1909, Rev. Otto R. W. Klosé, from the Presbytery of Otsego.

July 7th, 1909, Rev. J. Newton Armstrong, from the Presbytery of Blairsville.

September 28th, 1909, Rev. Joseph H. Colclough, from the Presbytery of Binghamton,

September 28th, 1909, Rev. Joseph D. Hillman, from the Presbytery of Lackawanna.

September 28th, 1909, Rev. Albert F. Lott, from the Presbytery of Carlisle.

September 28th, 1909, Rev. Robert White, from the Presbytery of Steubenville.

## Ministers dismissed-

December 1st, 1908, Rev. Joshua J. Wolf, to the Presbytery of Wellsborough.

January 26th, 1909, Rev. Irving P. Emerick, to the Presbytery of Long Island.

January 26th, 1909, Rev. John Ujlaky, to the Presbytery of Blairs-ville.

February 3d, 1909, Rev. John H. Aughey, Ph.D., to the Presbytery of Indiana.

July 7th, 1909, Rev. Luther B. Plumer, to the Presbytery of Boston. September 28th, 1909, Rev. Harry W. Ewig, to the Presbytery of Lehigh.

## Pastoral relations constituted—

February 3d, 1909, Rev. Otto R. W. Klosé, installed pastor of the church of Danville.

July 7th, 1909, Rev. J. Newton Armstrong, installed paster of the church at Blairstown.

October 14th, 1909, Rev. Albert F. Lott, installed pastor of the church of Marksboro.

October 15th, 1909, Rev. Joseph Hackney Colclough, installed pastor of the First Church of Phillipsburg.

## Pastoral relations dissolved—

April 13th, 1909, Rev. Percy Y. Schelly, with the First Church of Phillipsburg, to take effect April 25th, 1909.

April 13th, 1909, Rev. Luther B. Plumer, with the Church of Franklin Furnace, to take effect at this date.

September 28th, 1909, Rev. Harry W. Ewig, with the churches of Delaware and Knowlton, to take effect October 1st, 1909.

## Candidates dismissed-

January 26th, 1909, Clinton J. Greene, to the care of the Presbytery of Westchester.

## Minister deceased-

February 15th, 1909, Rev. Luther Davis, at Easton, Pa., aged 38 years.

E. Clarke Cline,

Stated Clerk.

X.—The Presbytery of West Jersey consists of seventy-six ministers, sixty-eight churches and six candidates.

## Ministers received-

January 19th, 1909, Rev. Eugene A. Johnson, D.D., from Congregational Association, Philadelphia. Rev. George H. Hemingway, D.D., from Northumberland Presbytery, Pa. Rev. Nelson B. Kline, from Blairsville Presbytery. Rev. William W. Casselberry, from Presbytery of Elizabeth. Rev. John Edwin Triplett, from Presbytery of New York. Rev. Joseph L. Faivre, from Presbytery of Hudson, N. Y.

March 8th. 1909, Rev. William T. Pannell, from Presbytery of Morris and Orange.

April 20th, 1909, Rev. Joseph S. Malone, from Philadelphia, North Presbytery.

May 30th, 1909, Rev. Joseph Anastasi, from Northumberland Presbytery, Pa.

## Candidates received-

February 1st, 1909, Joseph E. Souden.

## Ministers installed-

January 27th, 1909, Rev. Nelson B. Kline, as pastor of Fairfield Church, Fairton.

January 28th, 1909, Rev. Eugene A. Johnson, D.D., as pastor of Immanuel Church, Atlantic City.

February 1st, 1909, Rev. Geo. H. Hemingway, D.D., as pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Camden.

February 5th, 1909, Rev. John Edwin Triplett, as pastor of Woodbury Church.

February 18th, 1909, Rev. William W. Casselberry, as pastor of Collingswood Church.

March 10th, 1909, Rev. Joseph L. Faivre, as pastor of Irving Avenue Church, Bridgeton.

March 11th, 1909, Rev. William T. Pannell, as pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Cedarville.

April 29th, 1909, Rev. Joseph S. Malone, as pastor of Westminster Church, Camden.

#### Ministers dismissed—

January 19th, 1900, Rev. Ralph W. Illingworth, to the Presbytery of Westminster. Rev. Achille Cremonesi, to the Presbytery of Lehigh. March 8th, 1909, Rev. Diodati Grassis, to the Presbytery of Northumberland.

April 20th, 1909, Rev. David Chambers Stewart, to the Classis of Hackensack, Reformed Church.

September 21st, 1909, Rev. Robert Bramfitt, to the Presbytery of Columbia.

 October 19th, 1909, Rev. Franklin J. Reimer, to the Presbytery of Huntingdon.

## Pastoral relations dissolved-

January 19th, 1909, Rev. Ralph W. Illingworth and the Grace Church, Camden.

## Churches organized—

November 6th, 1908, First Westminster Church, Camden. November 21st, 1908, Church of Albion.

January 14th, 1909, Immanuel Church, Atlantic City.

May 7th, 1909, First Presbyterian Church of Grenloch.

## Ministers deceased-

. May 25th, 1909, Rev. William Aikman, D.D. June 28th, 1909, Rev. David H. Laverty, D.D.

> A. P. Botsford, Stated Clerk.



# Standing Rules of the Synod.

- I.—The Synod shall meet annually, on the third Monday of October, at 8 o'clock P.M., unless otherwise ordered.
- II.—The officers of Synod shall be a Moderator, a Stated Clerk, a Permanent Clerk, a Recording Clerk, and a Treasurer.
- III.—The Moderator shall be elected annually, after calling the roll of the Presbyteries for nominations, when the Presbytery which has been the longest without having a representative in the Moderator's chair shall be called first. The Clerks and Treasurer shall be elected by ballot, unless otherwise ordered, and shall hold office during the pleasure of Synod.
- IV.—It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk to cause a notice of the time and place of meeting to be published in the religious papers most current in the Synod, at least three weeks prior to the time of meeting; to lay on the Moderator's table at the opening of Synod, a printed docket of business; to preserve the proceedings of Synod in printed form; to file and preserve all important papers coming into the possession of Synod; to furnish certified copies of minutes to those properly entitled to them; to conduct the correspondence of Synod; to transmit to the General Assembly the Statistical Report and the duly certified printed Records of Synod; to send a printed copy of the minutes of each annual meeting of Synod to every Minister, to the Session of each vacant church, and to each Ruling Elder who attended that meeting; and to cause the copies that have been submitted to the General Assembly to be bound in volumes at suitable intervals. The Stated Clerk shall print an Appendix to the Minutes, which shall contain all the papers and reports presented to Synod that are of permanent value. But in preparing such materials for publication he shall be authorized to abridge the same except where resolutions and recommendations have been adopted by Synod, and when otherwise ordered by Synod.
- V.—The Permanent Clerk shall prepare a roll of Synod before the opening. To enable him to do this, all members shall report themselves to him on arrival at the place of meeting. To him reasons for absence or late attendance shall be given and of him permission to leave shall be obtained. He shall be the Reading Clerk, call the roll, and otherwise assist the Stated Clerk as he may require; and he shall act as Stated Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.

- VI.—The Recording Clerk shall make the minutes of the proceedings of Synod from day to day, and deliver them to the Stated Clerk on the adjournment of Synod; and he shall act as Permanent Clerk in the absence or disability of that officer.
- VII.—The compensation of the Stated Clerk shall be one hundred and fifty dollars per annum; that of the Permanent and Recording Clerks, thirty dollars respectively.
- VIII.—The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds of the Synod for contingent expenses, and render an itemized account at each annual meeting. The Treasurer is authorized to pay the necessary expenses of the several committees of Synod, said bills to be forwarded to the Treasurer of Synod on or before October 1st of each year.

## COMMITTEES.

IX.—The Committees of Synod shall be divided into three classes, viz.: Standing, Permanent and Special.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES.

THE STANDING COMMITTEES, to be appointed by the Moderator at each annual meeting, shall be as follows:

- I. ON BILLS AND OVERTURES, seven members—four Ministers, of whom one shall be the retiring Moderator, and three Ruling Elders.
- 2. On Judicial Business, seven members—four Ministers and three Ruling Elders.
- 3. ON RECORDS OF PRESENTERIES, three members for each Presbytery—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
- 4. ON MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
- 5. On Narrative, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
- 6. On Finance, four members—two Ministers and two Ruling Elders, who shall audit the accounts of the Treasurer of Synod and of the Treasurers of the different funds, except the Synodical Home Mission Fund; and arrange the apportionment of the amount required from each Presbytery for contingent expenses.
- 7. On Synodical Home Mission Accounts, a Special Finance Committee, two members—one Minister and one Ruling Elder, neither of whom shall be a member of the Permanent Committee of Synodical Home Missions, who shall examine and audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Synodical Home Mission Fund, between the first day of October and the third Tuesday of October next ensuing their appointment, and who shall report to the Synod immediately after such examination, and whose necessary traveling expenses shall be defrayed by the Treasurer of Synod.
- X.—The Committee of Arrangements shall consist of all the Presbyterian Pastors and one Ruling Elder from each church in the

place where the Synod meets, together with the Stated Clerk of Synod, the Pastor of the church in which Synod meets to be chairman. They shall provide accommodations for the Synod; suggest hours of meeting and adjournment; arrange for public services, and the persons to conduct them, and provide for hearing representatives of all our Boards each year that may desire a hearing, the representatives of the Boards of Home and Foreign Missions to have thirty minutes each, and the representatives of the other Boards to have twenty minutes each.

#### PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

- XI.—The Permanent Committees of the Synod shall be as follows:
  - 1. On Synodical Home Missions, eight members—one for each home Presbytery.
  - 2. On Home Missions, eight members; the chairman of the Committee on Home Missions in each home Presbytery.
  - 3. On Foreign Missions, one member from the Presbytery of Corisco; the chairman of the Presbyterial Committee on Foreign Missions and one Ruling Elder, from each home Presbytery.
  - 4. On Historical Materials, ten members—one for each Presbytery.
  - 5. On Sabbath-school Work, eight members; the chairman of the Committee on Sabbath-school Work in each home Presbytery.
  - 6. On Sabbath Observance, eight members; the chairman of the Committee on Sabbath Observance in each home Presbytery.
  - 7. On TEMPERANCE, nine members—one from each home Presbytery, besides the chairman.
  - 8. On Necrology, three members—two Ministers and one Ruling Elder.
  - 9. On Proportionate and Systematic Beneficence, eight members—one from each home Presbytery.
  - IO. ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES, a chairman appointed by Synod and the chairmen of the Presbyterial Committee on Young People's Societies.
  - 11. On Presbyterian Brotherhood, a chairman appointed by Synod, the same to be a layman, together with the chairman on the same work in the respective Presbyteries.
  - 12. ON EVANGELISTIC WORK, the chairman of the Evangelistic Committees of the various Presbyteries.
- XII.—The Permanent Committees shall each report to Synod annually upon the matters assigned to them, and recommend suitable action to be taken by Synod in relation thereto.
- XIII.—The Necrological Committee shall present, at the annual meeting, brief obituary notices of all Ministers of Synod who have deceased during the Synodical year.

- XIV.—Each Presbytery belonging to the Synod shall send a written Narrative of the State of Religion within its bounds to the Synod's Committee on Narrative at least one week previous to the stated meeting of Synod.
- XV.—The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper shall be administered at each stated meeting of the Synod, under the superintendence of the retiring Moderator, or the Minister presiding in his place, immediately following the Moderator's sermon, and Synod shall be constituted at the conclusion of this administration.
- XVI.—The Committee on Systematic Beneficence shall co-operate with the Stated Clerk and the Committee of Arrangements in selecting topics and securing speakers to address the Synod upon the subjects of Benevolence and Church Work, and the evening session of the second day of the meeting of Synod shall be devoted exclusively to popular addresses by Secretaries of Boards or others.
- XVII.—To facilitate the transaction of business, the following order shall commonly be followed, subject to such exchanges as may be made between chairmen of committees in consultation with the Committee of Arrangements:
  - 1. The sessions of the Synod shall begin at 9 A.M., recess to be taken from 12:30 to 2:30 P.M., and from 5 to 8:00 P.M.; devotional exercises to occupy the last half hour of each morning session.
  - 2. Permanent committees shall report in the following order: Tuesday morning, Foreign Missions, Synodical Home Missions, Narrative; Tuesday afternoon, Historical Materials, Home Missions, Sabbath-school Work, Young People's Societies; Wednesday morning, Systematic Beneficence, Sabbath Observance, Temperance, Necrology; Wednesday afternoon, Presbyterian Brotherhood, Evangelistic Work.
- XVIII.—All notices of, or calls for, meetings of Presbyteries or Committees, and all resolutions, shall be in writing and read by the Clerk.
- XIX.—The rules for Judicatories adopted by the General Assembly shall be the rules of the Synod, so far as they apply.
- XX.—These rules may be amended or repealed by a two-thirds vote, but if notice of a proposed change has been given at a previous stated meeting, a majority may amend or repeal; and any one of these rules may be temporarily suspended by a majority vote.

## Permanent Committees.

## SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

REV. SAMUEL McLANAHAN, Chairman.

REV. JOHN T. KERR, REV. FISHER HOWE BOOTH,

REV. THOMAS TYACK, D.D., REV. WENDELL PRIME KEELER.

REV. ROBERT ROBINSON, REV. DAVIS W. LUSK, D.D.,

REV. RAYMOND HILLIARD GAGE, Clerk.

#### HOME MISSIONS.

REV. HUGH B. MACCAULEY, D.D., Chairman.

REV. CALVIN W. LAUFER, REV. JOHN T. REEVE,

REV. WALTER W. HAMMOND, D.D., REV. ARTHUR W. REMINGTON,

REV. EDGAR A. HAMILTON, REV. ROBERT S. INGLIS, D.D.,

REV. GEORGE H. HEMINGWAY, D.D.

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

REV. MINOT C. MORGAN, Chairman.

REV. WILLIAM C. JOHNSTON, ELDER F. L. COLVER, REV. WILLIAM I. STEANS, D.D., ELDER WM. P. STEVENSON,

REV. WILLIAM I. STEANS, D.D.,
REV. COURTLANDT P. BUTLER,
REV. DEWITT C. SNYDER.
REV. ORVILLE REED, PH.D.,
REV. ALBERT J. WEISLEY, D.D.,
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ELDER JOHN RELLSTAB,
ELDER JOHN

Vacancy.

## HISTORICAL MATERIALS.

REV. JOSEPH F. FOLSOM, Chairman.

REV. FRANK D. P. HICKMAN, REV. EBEN B. COBB, D.D.,

REV. CHARLES HERR, D.D., REV. FRANK R. SYMMES,

REV. ROBERT H. NICHOLS, Ph.D., REV. JOHN C. CLYDE, D.D., REV. HENRY B. SOMEILLAN, REV. FREDERIC R. BRACE, Ph.D., D.D.

REV. WALTER A. BROOKS, D.D.

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REV. WILLIAM B. HAMILTON, REV. WILLIAM MOORE,

REV. ROBERT R. WICKS, REV. ALEX. H. McKINNEY, Ph.D.,

REV. FRED B. NEWMAN, REV. JAMES W. MARTIN, Ph.D.

REV. WILLIAM F. S. NELSON.

## SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

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REV. JOSHUA B. GALLAWAY, D.D.,

REV. DWIGHT L. PARSONS, REV. THOMAS B. IRONSIDE.

REV. JOSEPH HUNTER, REV. JAMES B. CLARK,

REV. HUGH WALKER.

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## TEMPERANCE.

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REV. JAMES G. MASON, D.D., REV. JOSHUA B. GALLAWAY, D.D.,

REV. JOSEPH E. CURRY, REV. DAVID A. CRAIG, REV. LLEWELLYN S. FULMER, D.D. REV. JOSEPH HOWELL,

REV. RICHARDSON GRAY, M.D., REV. HERBERT R. RUNDALL.

## NECROLOGY.

REV. WILLIAM W. KNOX, D.D., REV. JAMES DALLAS STEELE, Ph.D., ELDER WILLIAM P. STEVENSON.

## PROPORTIONATE AND SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.

REV. WM. W. CASSELBERRY, Chairman.

REV. HENRY T. BEATTY, Ph.D., REV. ORMOND W. WRIGHT,

REV. GEORGE L. RICHMOND, REV. CHARLES E. GRANGER,

REV. GEORGE H. INGRAM, REV. WM. S. C. WEBSTER, D.D., REV. JOSEPH L. EWING.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

REV. FRANK LUKENS, Chairman.

REV. WILLIAM B. HAMILTON, REV. WALTER B. GREENWAY,

REV. DAVID DEFOREST BURRELL, REV. A. S. ZIMMERMAN,

REV. HENRY A. MACKUBBIN, REV. J. NEWTON ARMSTRONG,

REV. CHARLES H. WHITAKER.

#### PRESBYTERIAN BROTHERHOOD.

ELDER J. FITHIAN TATEM, Chairman.

REV. WM. FORCE WHITAKER, D.D., ELDER HENRY D. COBB,

ELDER DATIS REED, ELDER WALDO C. GENUNG, REV. GEO. S. M. DOREMUS, ELDER JOSEPH H. WRIGHT,

REV. JAMES MOORE. REV. NELSON B. CHESTER.

#### EVANGELISTIC WORK.

REV. C. RUDOLPH KUEBLER, D.D., Chairman.

REV. LINIUS L. STROCK, REV. ROBERT S. INGLIS, D.D., REV. WILLIAM T. STUCHELL, REV. GEORGE K. NEWELL,

REV. JOHN E. PARMLY.

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REV. EBEN B. COBB, D.D., President, Vacancy.

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